



Vision and Mission Statement	01
Outreach	02
Project Results Snapshot 2020-23	03
Access to Justice	04
Gender and Child Security	06
Climate Resilience, Sustainability & Security	08
Success Stories from the Field	10
Research Papers and Publications	11
Partners	13

Vision

To connect vulnerable and disempowered end users of justice with effective and expedient services for the delivery of justice. LAS starts by listening to the voices of the vulnerable and disempowered within the legal system and combines their needs with the values of equity, fairness and inclusion to change the way in which we view and tackle present day challenges facing the attainment of justice in our society.

Mission Statement

Human Security

Protecting, Promoting and Ensuring knowledge of and access to fundamental freedoms/rights

Access to Justice

Connecting end-users of the justice system to providers to ensure expeditious provision of support for legal needs.

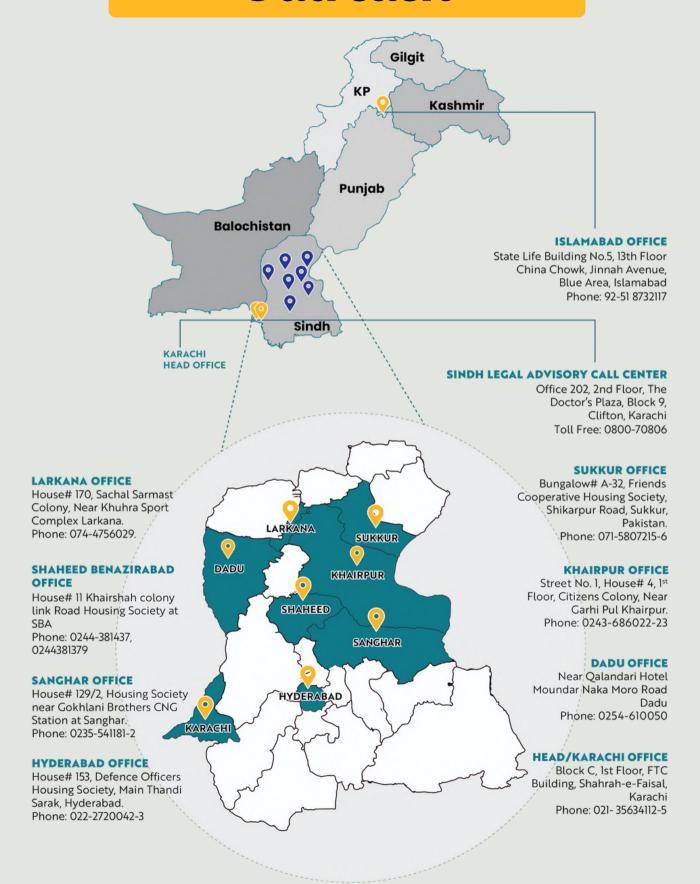
Gender & Child Security

Enabling vulnerable strata's of the population to access protections and rights through legal empowerment.

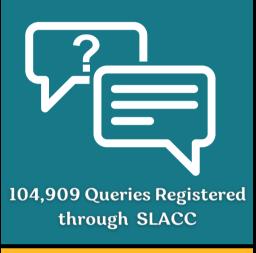
Climate Resilience, Sustainability & Security

Responding to societal needs aggravated through climate emergencies and establishing foundational knowledge at grassroot levels for mitigation and communal awareness.

Outreach



Project Results Snapshot 2020-23

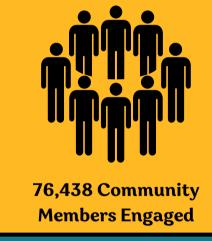






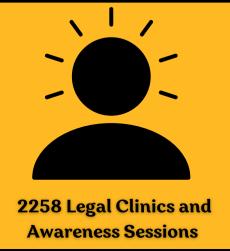








10 Documentaries







Alternate Dispute Resolution

Increase indigenous demand for ADR and establish sustainable and tech-enabled mechanisms to make communities in Sindh, ICT and Gilgit-Baltistan self-sufficient in accessing ADR mechanisms and ensure a sustained supply from within the legal fraternity



713 Legal Awareness Clinics



20,461 Community Members Engaged



1,798 Cases Diverted Towards ADR



192 Community Members Trained as Paralegals



141 Judges trained from
District Judiciary in ICT and in



3 Policy Products Published



5 ADR Documentaries on Success Stories



4 IEC Material Developed

Assessment of Legal System for Religious Minorities in Pakistan

Increase access to justice for religious marginalized communities (RMCs) through enhancing knowledge of it's members, and the capacity of Justice sector actors alongside conducting research to identify and understand structural and systemic discrimination and barriers



16,330 Community Members Engaged



8 Policy Dialogues



641 Awareness Clinics



3 Research Reports Published



10 IEC Materials developed on the Rights of RMCs



315 Members from RMCs have received free Legal Aid



104 Community Members Trained as Paralegals

Litigation at the Legal Aid Society

Provision of direct free legal aid and assistance to victims of human rights violations in Sindh



1414 Cases Filed



1108 Cases Resolved

Sindh Legal Advisory Call Centre (SLACC)

Provide free-of-cost legal advice through high court lawyers to individuals across the country.



104,909 Legal Queries Registered



10 High Court Enrolled Advocates 25%

Criminal

11%

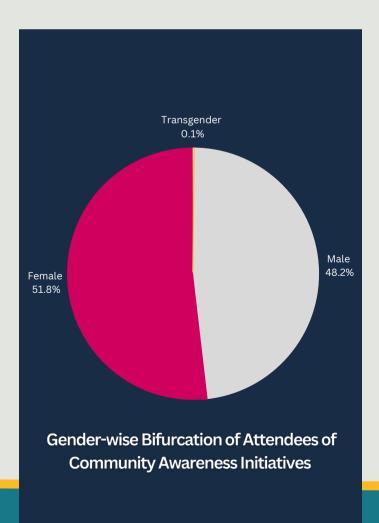
Family

2%

Diverted towards ADR

62%

Percentage of Cases Resolved: Analysis Based on Nature and Diversion to ADR







Project Goals

Women's Right to Legal Property

Increase access and control of women over marital property, thereby, achieving empowerment, equity, and economic development by strengthening women's capacity and creating a demand for women's share in the marital property in 3 districts of Sindh



617 Legal Awareness Clinics



10 Animated films and 5 Documentaries



224 Cases Taken Up



26,217 Community Members Engaged



11 IEC Materials Developed



155 Community Members Trained as Paralegals



3 Policy Papers and 3 Research Products Developed

Muslim Family Law

Increase awareness in the target communities for women to demand their rights and privileges under Muslim Family Laws, enabling key stakeholder to have better capacities and coordination in accessing, demanding and negotiating terms and conditions in marriage.



3 Theater Play Performances



139 Community Members Engaged through Theatre Plays



75 Paralegals Mapped



2 Research Products Developed

Increasing Trust in the Criminal Justice System's Response of Sexual Violence Cases

Assist the federal and provincial governments by providing research, policy, capacity-building support. Assist the Government of Sindh in adapting a Sexual Violence Response Framework (SVRF) in 2020 and assisted the Ministry of Law and Justice for the Government of Pakistan in adapting a Federal Sexual Violence.



382 Gender-based Violence Survivors given Psychosocial Support



11,038 Community members Engaged



2 Women and Girls Friendly Spaces Created



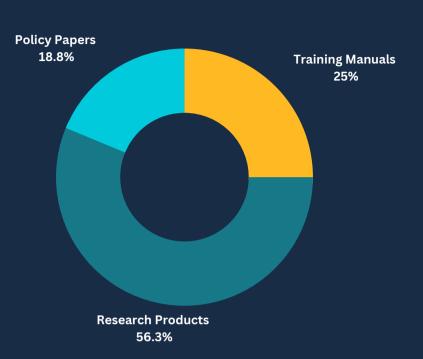
211 Community Awareness Sessions



2250 Dignity Kits Distributed

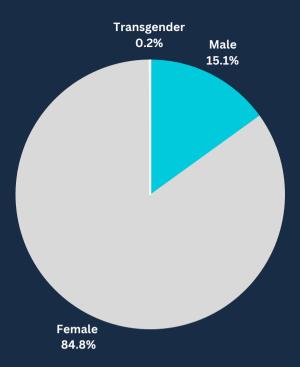


4 Training Manuals and 5 Research Products Developed

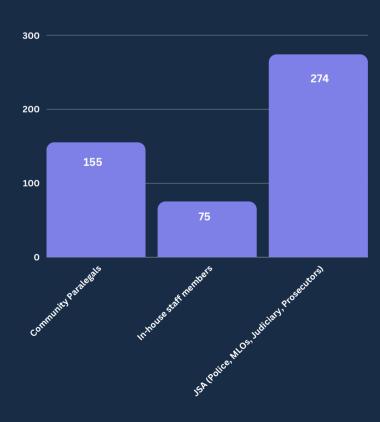


Research at LAS related to Gender and Child Security





Gender-wise Bifurcation of Attendees of Community Awareness Initiatives



Trainings of Key Stakeholders

Climate Resilience, Sustainability and Security



Project Goals

Recovery of Civil Documentation Post 2022 floods

Enhance access to civil documentation for flood-affected populations in Sindh by conducting a mapping study to understand their legal needs. Devise community-level interventions and the deploy mobile legal clinics to provide legal awareness and direct support. Identifying challenges in accessing civil documentation is crucial for effective project implementation.

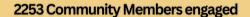














195 one-on-one consultation sessions



1 Mapping Study to map out the extent of the loss of Civil Documentation Post 2022 floods



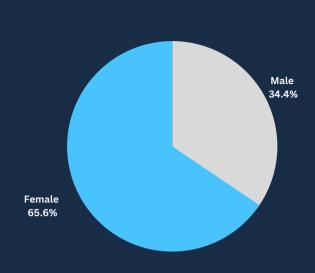
1,204 Beneficiaries mapped through a mapping study

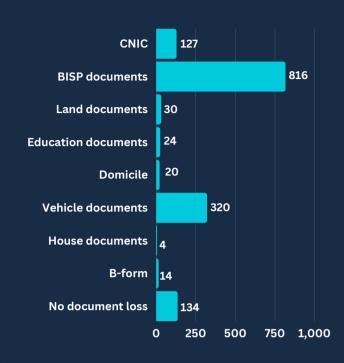


4 IECs developed



76 Awareness Sessions





Gender-wise Bifurcation of Attendees of Community

Awareness Sessions

Types of Documents Lost Post-2022 Floods

Gender District	Male	Female
Dadu	Land Documents	BISP
Sanghar	BISP	BISP
SBA	BISP	BISP
Umerkot	CNIC	BISP
Khairpur	CNIC	BISP



Document loss frequency categorized by gender and district

Breakdown of mapped individuals by gender

Success Stories from the field



Custody of Children - Shikarpur

Sapna, a Hindu woman from village Lal Mashaikh, Shikarpur, faced domestic abuse and lost custody of her children to her husband, Satram. Desperate for help, she turned to the Legal Aid Society and sought assistance from Advocate Kamran Ali Samo. Through a criminal miscellaneous application, they swiftly secured a court order demanding the safe return of her children. With Advocate Kamran's help, Sapna regained custody within 10 days.

Mother's fight for Justice - Hyderabad

In 2016, Lubna's marriage began with hope, but it turned dark when her husband demanded they abandon their blind daughter, Hakkel. Despite neglect and abuse, Lubna stood her ground. In 2021, she filed a maintenance suit and won in court, but her husband resister, accusing her falsely. With support from the Legal Aid Society and lawyer Muhammad Zohaib, justice prevailed as both family appeals were dismissed.

Breaking Barriers - Shaheed Benazirabad

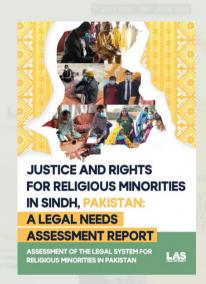
Gul Mohammad, a differently-abled individual from Bandhi Town Shaheed Benazirabad, struggled to renew his expired CNIC due to NADRA's uncooperative staff. Despite having the necessary documentation, he was asked to obtain a new disability certificate or file a lawsuit. With the help of a LAS paralegal, he filed an online complaint, leading the Federal Ombudsperson to intervene. Shortly after, Gul Mohammad received a new CNIC with a disability memo from NADRA.

Fight for Inheritance - Karachi

In Malir, Karachi, Ms. Erum Fatima's father's death tore her family apart, with her brothers harassing her and filing legal petitions against her. Seeking help from the Legal Aid Society, Fatima was represented in court, and on August 15, 2021, the court ruled in her favor, confirming her rightful share. The family property was auctioned, with one of her brothers buying it. Fatima received her share after a long and challenging journey.

Research Papers and Publications

Access to Justice and Climate Resilience, Sustainability and Security



A first-of-its-kind legal assessment aimed at understanding consumer and civil issues faced by RMCs in Pakistan.

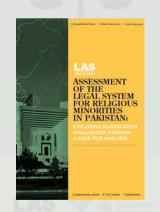


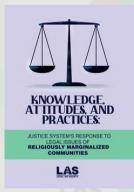
A mapping study conducted to measure loss of civil documentation amongst those impacted by the 2022 floods



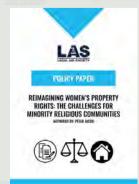
Proposes Legislative and Procedural Amendments for the Institutionalization of ADR in Pakistan











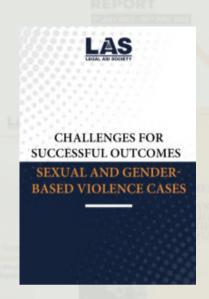


Read Here:

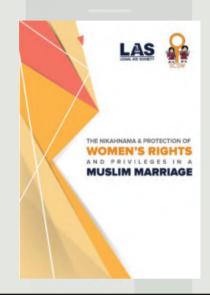


Research Papers and Publications

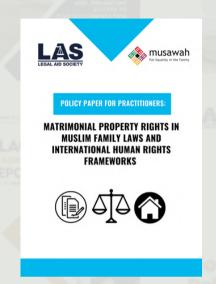
Gender and Child Security



The bottleneck report discussed the conditions in which survivors/victims seek justice despite legal frameworks and public outcry.



The empirical study provided a comprehensive understanding of the landscape of Muslim marriages in Sindh, specifically focusing on Nikahnama.



The policy paper focused on the need equal matrimonial property rights for Muslim women in Pakistan.



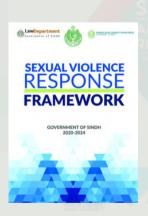
<u>LAS</u>

Women's Right

to Property: Selected Case Law









Read Here:



Partners

DONORS











Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office









GOVERNMENT PARTNERS







PROJECT IMPLEMENTING PARTNERS













































RESHAPING SOLUTIONS FOR ACCESSING JUSTICE IN PAKISTAN





Contact

Legal Aid Society 1st Floor, Block C, Finance & Trade Centre Shahrah-e-Faisal

For Free Legal Advice Call 0800-70806



021-35634112-5



🙀 www.las.org.pk



pdu@las.org.pk



• legalaidsociety



(a) legalaidsociety_pakistan

