

#### Female Substance Abuse Treatment & Rehabilitation Center

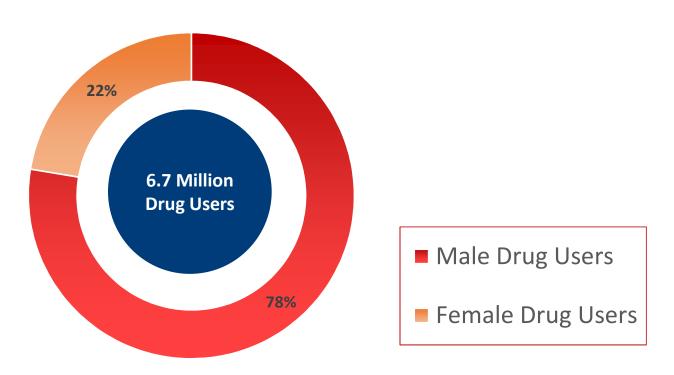
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## Project Background & Rationale

#### Female Drug Problem in Pakistan









# Prevalence of Drug Use By Gender

	Men		Women	
	Annual prevalence (95% CI)	Number	Annual prevalence (95% CI)	Number
Any illicit drug use	9.0 (7.4-10.6)	5.2m	2.9 (2.5-3.7)	1.5m
Injecting drug use	0.7 (0.6-0.9)	423k	0.01 (0.001-0.4)	7k
Prevalence estimates for individual drug categories (sum will not reflect above total due to poly-drug use)				
Cannabis (resin or herb)	6.7 (5.9-7.6)	3.9m	0.2 (0.1-0.2)	100k
Opioids	3.4 (2.7-4.0)	1.9m	1.4 (1.3-2.1)	800k
Opiates	1.8 (1.3-2.3)	1.04m	0.04 (0.001-0.6)	20k
Heroin	1.5 (1.1-1.9)	845k	0.03 ( 0.001-0.3)	17k
Opium	0.6 (0.3-0.8)	315k	0.01 (0.001-0.3)	5k
Prescription opioids	1.6 (1.4.1.7)	890k	1.4 (1.2-1.6)	730k
Tranquilisers/sedatives	11.3 (0.9.1.6)	725k	1.5 (1.4-1.7)	817k
Cocaine	0.01 (0.00-0.02)	13k	none detected	
Amphetamine-type substances	0.1 (0.07-0.14)	44k	0.14 (0.140.2)	49k
Amphetamines	0.1 (0.04-0.1)	27k	0.13 (0.1-0.2)	48k
Methamphetamines	0.03 (0.01-0.06)	18k	0.002 (0.00-0.1)	<b>1</b> k
Solvents/inhalants	0.06 (0.03-0.09)	35k	0.001 (0.00-0.004)	500





## Why Female Use Drugs?

#### DAWN

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#### Survey shows alarming rise in drug use

A report by the Narcotics Control Division said this year that populations that had experienced <u>stress</u>, anxiety, and other <u>difficult life experiences</u>, including <u>post-traumatic stress disorder</u>, might be at a higher risk of painkiller, tranquilliser and sedative misuse. Unlike Pakistan, reports suggest, in many countries ATS is often used by women for weight loss.

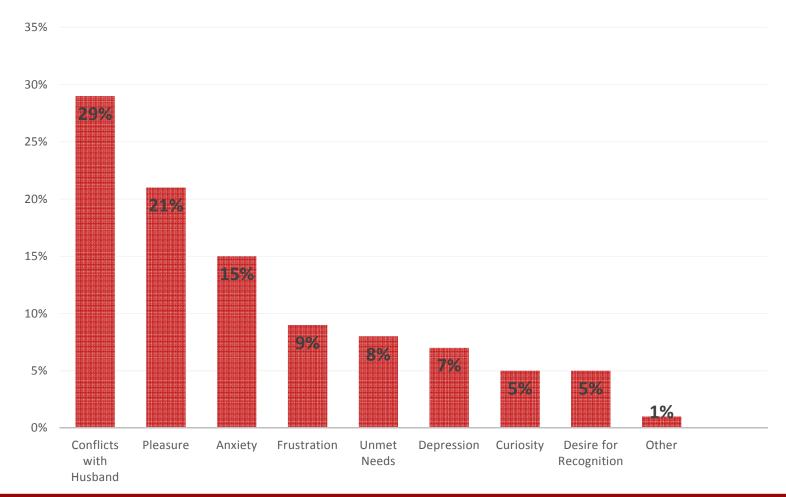


KARACHI: Although the ratio of women using drugs is far less than men in the country, the authorities are alarmed that the misuse of tranquillisers that had experienced stress, anxiety, and other difficult life experiences, including post-traumatic stress disorder, might be at a higher risk of painkiller, tranquilliser and sedative misuse. Unlike Pakistan, reports suggest, in many countries ATS is often used by women for weight loss.

A 2010 report by the United Nations Office of Drugs and Crime questioned the low prevalence of drug use in Pakistani women. It said unlike male drug users who congregated and used drugs with others, drug use was a discreet, hidden and more of an individual activity for females.

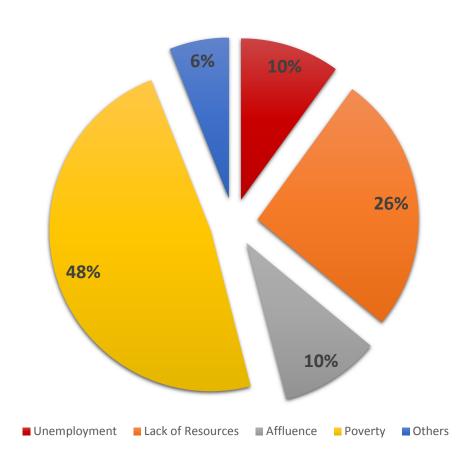


# Psychological Factors



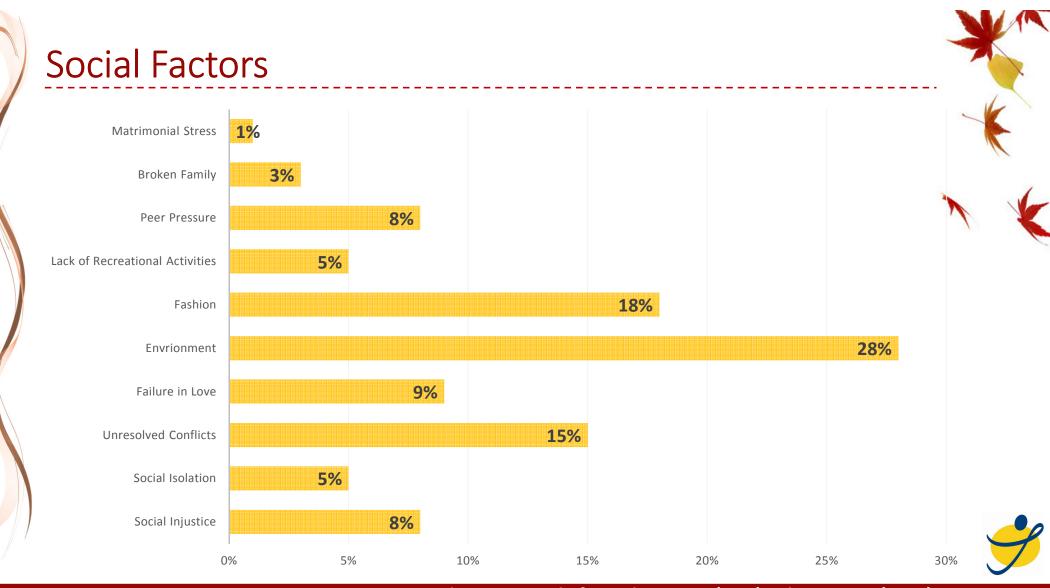


### **Economic Factors**















Ayesha is 28 years old and is addicted to heroin. She was studying in class nine when she first tasted heroin in h village in Swabi. "My brother used to sell heroin. Once I stole a small amount of white powder and smoked it in cigarette. Initially it felt very good, but then I would become restless if I didn't get any. I was simply unable to stop," recalls Ayesha, as tears roll down her face.



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In 2001, when she was in her second year at college, her drug-addicted brother died of an overdose of heroin. It brought to an end the free supply of heroin that Ayesha used to obtain from her brother. So she decided to abandon home and head for Peshawar. It was the beginning of a life of hardship and misery. For the next eight



# Other Factors









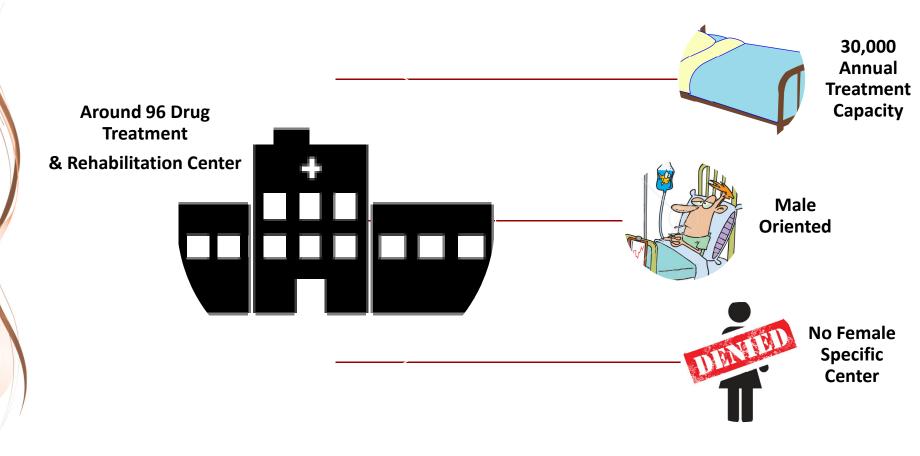








# **Overall Treatment Capacity**





### Why not?

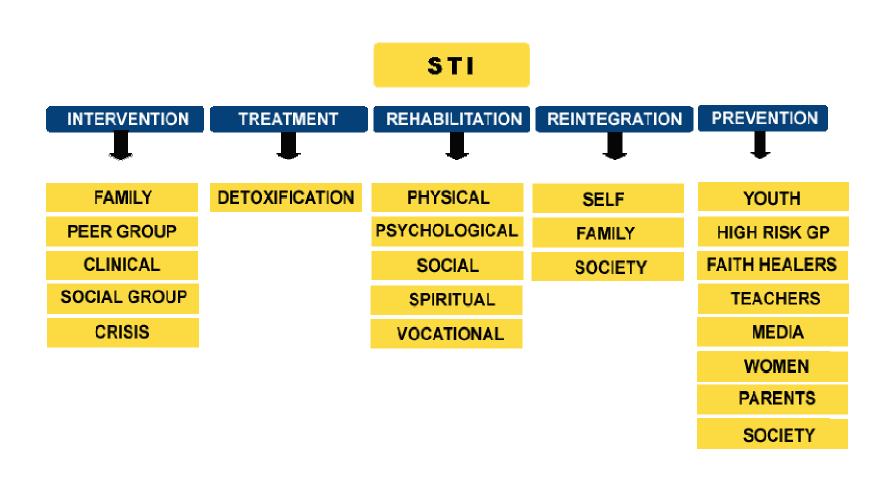
- ☐ Drug addiction is considered typically a male problem
- ☐ Female reluctance to seek help
  - Social stigma
  - Family reputation
  - Marital risks
  - Cultural constraints
- □ Exploitation by quacks, faith-healers, non-professionals
- □ Lack of expertise in female drug treatment







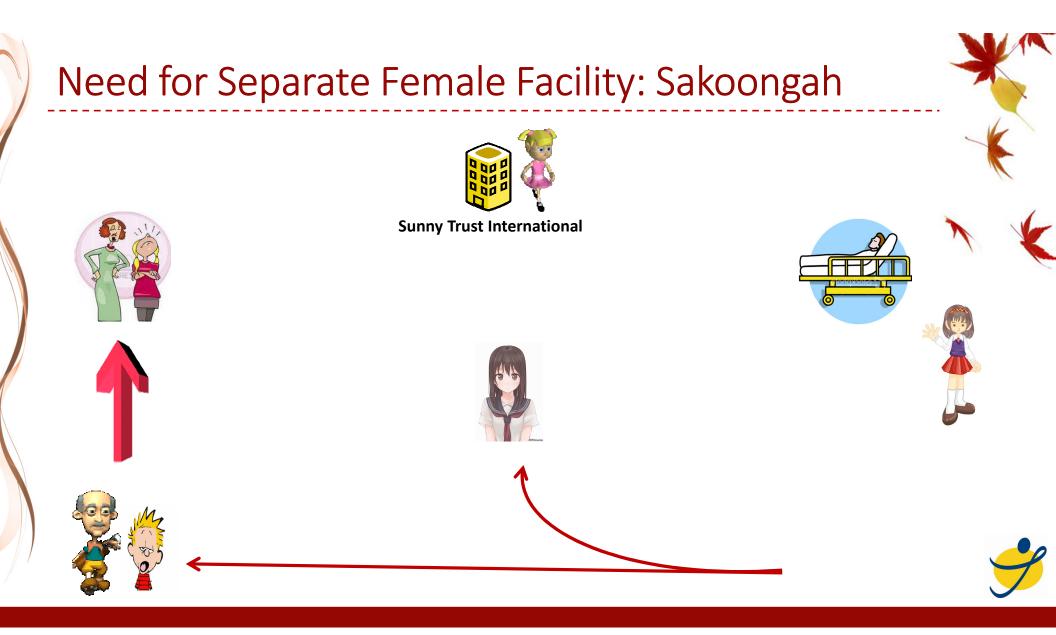
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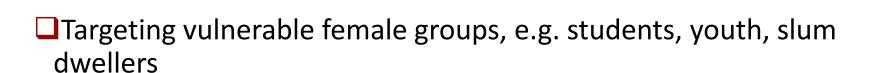




### Sakoongah Goals & Objectives

#### **Short Term**

☐ Enhancing female accessibility to treatment by breaking social, cultural and other barriers



☐ Providing female-friendly treatment & rehabilitation services







### Sakoongah Goals & Objectives

#### **Long Term**

☐ Mainstreaming of female drug problem & promoting drug free Pakistan











## Sakoongah Services

#### **Continuum of Care**

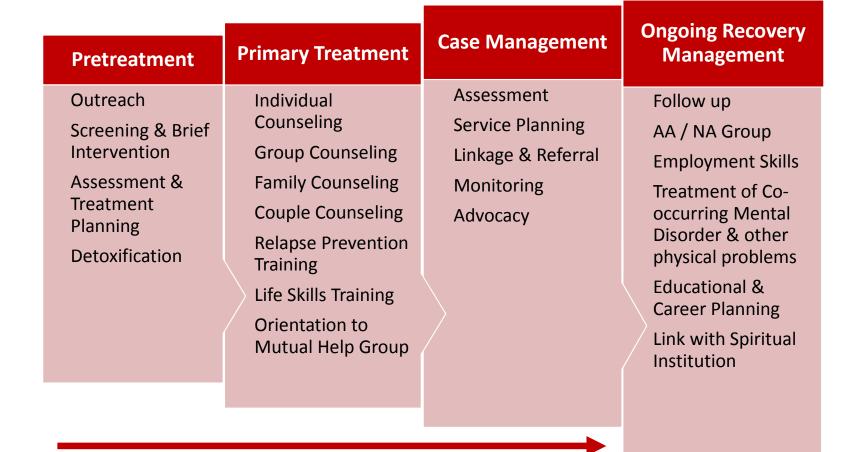
The whole range of services a client may receive directly from Skoongah or coordinated by the Skoongah.

**Not In Care** 

**Fully Engaged** 



#### Four Parts of Continuum of Care









### Case Management

Coordination of professional, social, and medical services to assist females with complex needs.





# Where we are?







Physical Infrastructure-Land

**Human Resource** 



## Humphrey Experience

- ☐ Internship Experience- Women Services
  Richmond Behavioral Health Authority,
  Virginia, USA
- ☐ Keynote speech at UNGASS, February10, 2016
- Ongoing online interaction







#### The Reward For Good Work...

- ☐ Is the opportunity to do more (Jonas Salk)
- ☐ 15 years old girl with history of cannabis and alcohol abuse
- Created one patient female ward (third time)
- Process of psycho-social rehabilitation is continued









#### THANK YOU

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