

P R E F A C E

Public representatives MPAs / MNAs have a very vital role in the development process as innovation agent of change and social transformation. It has been observed that elected public representative can play very significant role in social sector development in Sindh. They could be very effective in implementation of development projects through mobilizing publics and the decision makers both at Provincial as well as National level as they have direct interaction with the community at grass root level.

Honorable Chief Minister, Sindh took a policy decision to initiate MPA Priority Programme and Sindh Government reiterated the importance of the participation of elected public representatives in the development process creating environment to fight poverty and strengthening the social economic condition of the Province and placed a scheme of allocation for Priority Program with an allocation of Rs. 1950 million in PSDP-2008-09.

Due to personal interest of the Chief Minister, Sindh the overall performance of the Priority Program for MPAs was excellent during 2008-09, as far as the releases of funds is concerned, out of total allocation of Rs. 1950 million available for the program all 168 MPAs were able to identify 1065 schemes with cost of Rs. 1524.205 million and Rs. 1451.8510 million has been released for the implementation of these schemes. The highest priority during 2008-09 MPAs Priority Program has been given to Road Sector by the MPAs where funding of 37% of the total has been allocated.

Under this program 73 schemes costing Rs.166.997 million for Education, 44 schemes for Water Supply sector costing Rs. 90.1632 million, 131 schemes costing Rs. 178.8295 million for Drainage Sector, 369 schemes costing 568.82915 million for Road sector, 285 schemes for electrification costing Rs. 253.573 million, 36 schemes for Sui Gas costing Rs. 29.067 million 119 schemes for community development amounting to Rs. 227.396 million and 08 schemes of health sector costing Rs. 9.350 million has been prepared and implemented during 2008-09. (59) MPAs got released their funds to 100% and 33 MPAs release their allocated funds between 91-99%. Only 01 MPA was not able to forward her development schemes and hence could not utilize her allocated fund. The approval of development schemes of 12 MPAs received in Planning & Development Department, Government of Sindh after the cutoff date fixed by the Finance Department, Government of Sindh (i.e. 05-06-2009) shall be made in next financial year as the design of the Program is such that the allocated funds carry over to the next year as the design of the Program is such that the allocated funds carry over to the next financial year and it is expected these MPAs would utilize their funds during 2009-10.

It is expected that the Honorable Members of Legislative Assembly could continue their efforts in implementing schemes giving relief to the common / trodden people of their constituencies in future also.

In the last but not least I am thankful to all well wishers during preparation of this addition which is also first of its kind in the history of Planning & Development Department.

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