










Support to Sustainable Development Goals in Sindh Progress Update August 2017

	Activity Title	Description	Photo
01	Pakistan's commitment to Sustainable Development Goals 2015	<p>Sustainable Development Goals promote an inclusive growth process where everyone at every level has a role to play in achieving progress. SDGs have an underlying focus to: Leave no one behind/reach the unreached first; address structural causes of inequity; obtain and utilize better data and analytics to identify the excluded; and focus on contributions on human rights, gender, and environmental sustainability.</p> <p>Pakistan aims to use Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) as a vehicle to address development challenges, and is one of the first few countries that has expressed commitment towards Agenda 2030.</p> <p>Pakistan signed the international agreement on the 2030 agenda in September 2015 during the United Nations General Assembly Session for sustainable development, committing to achieve 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) between 2016 and 2030. In February 2016, under a unanimous resolution, the National Assembly of Pakistan further endorsed SDGs as Pakistan's Development Goals.</p>	
03	Support Project initiated for SDGs in Sindh	<p>Approval of PC-1 for "Support Project for SDGs implementation in Sindh" by CDWP on 30 March 2016 and authorization issued by Planning Commission on 19 July 2016 at a cost of Rs. 594 million, as a joint-collaboration between Government of Sindh and United Nations Development Programme (UNDP).</p> <p>The Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed between Government of Sindh and UNDP in August 2016.</p> <p>Under the support project, a provincial support unit has been set up to mainstream SDGs in local development plans and strategies and at the same time strengthen coordination, reporting, and monitoring, support integrated and innovative approaches to accelerate progress, and provide policy, research, and knowledge management support for SDGs.</p>	

			
02	Establishment of office of SDGs Support Unit 12 January 2017	<p>SDGs Support Unit has been established by Planning and Development Board, Government of Sindh in House No#D-50, P.E.C.H.S, Block 6, Shahrah-e-Faisal Karachi, the notification was issued on 12 January 2017 and Unit became functional in May 2017.</p> <p>Release of first tranche took place on 8 February 2017 of Rs. 80m at the disposal of UNDP.</p> <p>The SDGs Support Unit will comprise a team of experts: Project Management, Social and Economic Sector, Communication, Research, and Monitoring and Evaluation. The team will work towards mainstreaming SDGs in local development plans and strategies and at the same time strengthen coordination, reporting, and monitoring, support integrated and innovative approaches to accelerate progress, and provide policy, research, and knowledge management support for SDGs.</p>	  

<p>03</p>	<p>Provincial Technical Committee (PTC) 10 June 2016</p>	<p>Provincial Technical Committee (PTC) headed by Chairman P&D Board was established to oversee implementation of SDGs. The PTC notified on 10 June 2016 and its 1st meeting was convened on 13 January 2017.</p> <p>Participants comprised representative from Ministry of Planning and Development and Reforms, Government of Pakistan, members of Planning and Development Board, Government of Sindh, and administrative departments.</p> <p>Core discussion involved project outline, management arrangement, annual workplan and recruitment plans of the support project for SDGs.</p> <p>See Notification</p>	  
<p>04</p>	<p>Parliamentary Task Force for SDGs 22 July 2016</p>	<p>A Parliamentary Task Force, constituted by the Provincial Assembly of Sindh under the convenership of Pir Mujeeb-ul-Haq, MPA and 09 other MPAs, was notified on 22 July 2016.</p> <p>The core functions of the Parliamentary Task Force will be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ To provide strategic guidance for the implementation and localization of Sustainable Development Goals to contribute towards socio-economic development of Sindh in a coherent manner ○ To ensure that the process of SDG is inclusive and consultative with all stakeholders ○ To review and evaluate the progress of implementation of SDGs ○ To identify bottlenecks and advice for smooth implementation of SDGs ○ To advise any other technical matter that may arise relating to SDGs ○ To ensure availability and commitment of resources for achieving the SDGs ○ Task force shall meet on six-months basis or on need basis <p>See Notification</p>	

<p>05</p>	<p>Core Group on SDGs 12 April 2017</p>	<p>Core Group Formation to oversee formulation of SDGs framework with review of final list of indicators, baseline target and priorities. The Core Group notified on 12 April 2017 and 1st meeting was held on 6 July 2017.</p> <p>The Core Group will undertake a critical role in the development of SDGs framework for Sindh. Specifically, it will perform the following functions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Guide overall process for development Agenda 2030/SDG framework for Sindh. This will include review of final list of indicators, baselines, targets, and priorities for Sindh province 2. Ensure inter-connectedness of SDGs and targets between clusters being considered by work of cluster groups 3. Ensure that Agenda 2030/SDG framework guides key government strategies, budget allocations, alignment of sectoral strategies and policies 4. Oversee coherence with roll-out of SDG localization initiative to the district level 5. Ensure that progress is being monitored and that results feed back into planning and budgeting processes 6. Ensure engagement of other stakeholders (think-tanks, experts, academia, civil society groups, private sector, relevant UN agencies and other development partners <p>See Notification</p>	
<p>06</p>	<p>Consultative Workshops in Sindh on SDGs 2017</p>	<p>Planning and Development Board, Government of Sindh in collaboration with United Nations Development Programme Pakistan organized consultative workshops at the Provincial level for localization and mainstreaming of SDGs:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Consultative Workshop on 21 December 2015: The 1st consultative workshop was held on 21 December 2015 where key discussion were as under: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ñ Lessons learnt from MDGs Ñ Policies for development and origins of SDGs Ñ Global human and sustainable development agendas Ñ Difference between MDGs and SDGs 2. Technical session on 20 February 2016: Technical session was undertaken with Government of Sindh departments, where key discussion took place on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ñ Lessons learnt from MDGs Ñ Policies for development and origins of SDGs 	

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07	<p>Sensitization of District Stakeholders on SDGs 2017</p>	<p>To sensitize district stakeholders, divisional workshops were organized by Government of Sindh, where significance of sustainable development goals was highlighted and the inherent role of district government was discussed.</p> <p>The workshops promoted the idea that everyone has a role to play in achieving sustainable development. The district governments will play a critical role in localizing the 2030 Agenda and data mapping for SDGs indicators.</p> <p>Overall 06 workshops were organized at the divisional level at Karachi, Hyderabad, Mirpurkhas, Sukkar, Larkana & Shaheed Benazirabad between March and April 2017.</p>	

08	Government of Sindh Schemes for Sustainable Development 2017	Government of Sindh Schemes for Sustainable Development:		
		Rs. in billion		
		Year	Ongoing	New
2016-2017	1162 schemes Rs. 84.064 b	750 schemes Rs. 48.856 b	1912 schemes Rs. 132.92 b*	
2017-2018	1472 schemes Rs. 108.451 b	541 schemes Rs. 56.27 b	2013 schemes Rs. 164.721 b	
<p>*Against the allocation of Rs. 132.92 billion, Rs. 115.924 billion have been released, out of which Rs. 105.620 billion have been spent</p> <p>2016-2017 Schemes 2017-2018 Schemes</p>				

