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Water Sector Improvement Project**

Karachi dated 19th September, 2014

1. The Secretary to Government of Sindh, Finance Department, Karachi
2. The Secretary to Government of Sindh, Irrigation & Power Department, Karachi
3. The Secretary to Government of Sindh, Forest Department, Karachi
4. The Secretary to Government of Sindh, Agriculture Department, Karachi
5. The Secretary to Government of Sindh, Environment & Alternate Energy Department Karachi
6. The Additional Secretary (Coordination) SGA&C Department, GoSindh, Karachi
7. The Managing Director, SIDA, Hyderabad
8. The Chief Engineer, Water South, WAPDA Hyderabad
9. The Director General, AE&WM, Sindh, Hyderabad
10. The Director General, Coastal Development Authority, Karachi
11. The Project Director, WSIP, SIDA, Hyderabad
12. Mr. Zahid Hussain Bhurgri, FO Member in Nara Canal AWB, Mirpurkhas
13. Mr. Mirza Suhail Akbar Baig, Farmer Representative, LBCAWB, Badin
14. Mr. Aakash Ansari, Chairman SINGOF, Badin

SUBJECT: MINUTES OF TWENTIETH (20TH) MEETING OF PROJECT STEERING COMMITTEE FOR SINDH WATER SECTOR IMPROVEMENT PROJECT PHASE-I (WSIP) HELD ON TUESDAY 8TH JULY, 2014 IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM OF P&D DEPARTMENT, GOVERNMENT OF SINDH KARACHI UNDER THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF ACS (DEV.) P&D DEPARTMENT, GOVERNMENT OF SINDH.

Please find enclosed herewith minutes of the subject meeting for your information and further action.

o/c
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Project Coordinator &
Members/Secretary, PSC

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- ⇒ The Assistant Chief (Water & Drainage), P&D Department, GoSindh, Karachi
- ⇒ The Team Leader, PMC/A WSIP, Karachi
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List of participants of the meeting is attached at Annex-A

The meeting started with recitation from Holy Quran and the Chair welcomed all the participants of the meeting. After introduction of the participants, the Chair asked Dr. Fateh M. Marri, the Project Coordinator, WSIP /PCMU who is the Secretary of the Committee to proceed as per agenda. Mr. Marri stated that, the meetings of Committee are generally held on quarterly basis, but this meeting is taking place after some delay since PCMU and SIDA (which is lead implementing agency) were busy in approval of revised PC-I and frequent visits of the World Bank Mission for WSIP as well as preparation of new project for rehabilitation of Guddu Barrage. Thereafter, meeting proceeded as per agenda of the meeting.

2. Dr. Marri briefly presented the overview of the project and informed that, there are five agenda items for this meeting starting from item No: 1 "Confirmation of the minutes of previous two meetings of Committee (18th & 19th) held on 6th November, 2013". It was informed that the minutes of previous meetings were circulated to all concerned department/agencies and participants of the meeting and no comments on the minutes so far have been received from any quarter. However, the Chair inquired from all the participants for any comments. *All participants agreed with the minutes of previous meetings hence, the minutes of the previous two meeting (18th & 19th) were confirmed.*

3. Giving the updated implementation status / progress of the project activities as per agenda item No: 2, the Managing Director SIDA / Project Director, WSIP informed the forum that, out of two major contracts for rehabilitation and improvement of main and branch canals of Nara Canal system, the work on one contract (NC1) has successfully been completed within time with good quality. The work of second contract (NC2) is at advanced stage and will be finished in October, 2014 as per agreed time frame and rehabilitation works on 86 out of 101 FOs managed distributaries/minors have been completed and handed over to FOs. The forum appreciated the efforts for completion of major work contracts under component-B1 in time. The forum also highlighted that the works on canals / distributaries should be of good quality to bring benefits/ results in water distribution especially in tail-end areas and desired for completion/award of remaining works for other AWBs under additional financing.

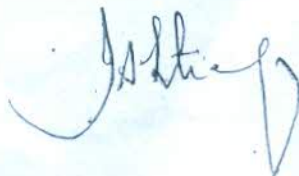
4. The representative of FO member while appreciating the work progress of the project expressed his satisfaction on the quality as well as necessity of the works done under NC-1 contract, the project for benefit of the farmers of the Nara Canal AWB, and requested for completion of remaining works of project. The MD, SIDA/PD, WSIP informed that the prequalification process has been started for award of 3 major contracts for remaining main and branch canal of Nara Canal and other two AWBs to be executed under revised PC-I with additional financing from the Bank.



5. The agenda item No: 3 regarding the issues arisen after the approval of revised PC-I by ECNEC were discussed at length. It was informed that ECNEC has approved the revised scheme PC-I at the reduced cost of Rs. 30,353 million with additional scope of works for construction of 10 small recharge dams costing Rs. 1,790 million as against the proposed revised cost of Rs. 32,147 million approved by PDWP. The additional scope of works for construction of 10 small recharge dams has been added at the level of Planning Commission by deducting / reducing amount from the estimated costs of civil works as well as some important consultancy services i.e. Project Implementation Consultants and Project Management Consultants / Agent as proposed in the revised PC-I. Moreover, the GoSindh share of Rs. 2397.78 million proposed in the revised PC-I has been restricted / reduced up to Rs. 1,513 million. The matter has already been taken up with Planning Commission through a letter written by P&D Department on 23rd June, 2014 for making correction in GoSindh share Rs. 2397.78 instead of Rs. 1513 million. The reply is awaited and will be followed through a reminder. Moreover, precondition of World Bank to continue PICs and PMC/A was discussed in detail. *The forum agreed with the conditions of the World Bank for continuation of PICs and PMC/A during the current IDA Credit closing of February, 2015 as per signed contracts. The Irrigation Department, GoSindh will find out source of funds for implementation of 10 small dams as P&D Department has already approached World Bank through EAD, GoPakistan on the recommendations of the Irrigation Department.*

6. On a query raised by the members of the committee regarding approval of PC-I at reduced cost, it was informed that the matter was vigorously pursued and series of meetings were held in Planning Division, Islamabad under the chairmanship of Member (F&A) as well as Chief (Water) and SIDA justified the requirements of revised PC-I approved by PDWP. But the cost has been reduced at the level of Planning Commission without considering the facts/requirements and recommended the scheme for approval of ECNEC. The forum expressed deep concern on non-consideration of the requirement of PC-I approved by PDWP. The forum also took serious note of direct correspondences made by Project Director, Small Dams Organizations, Sindh, with Chief (Water) Planning Commission without approval/consent of the Irrigation Department and as well as P&D Department for inclusion of additional scope of 10 small dams in revised PC-I of WSIP Project and directed that *Irrigation Department should take necessary action against the concerned officials to avoid such practice in future under proper intimation to P&D Department.*

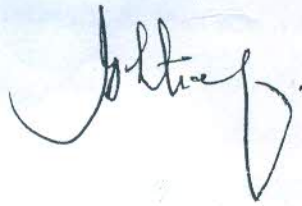
7. Agenda item No.4 related with time extension of ongoing consultancy services for feasibility studies of Guddu and Sukkur Barrages proposed in the working paper was discussed. *A five members sub-committee was formed comprising Additional Secretary (Technical) Irrigation Department, Additional Secretary (Dev.) Finance Department, Managing Director, SIDA/PD WSIP, Head of PMO Guddu Barrage Project and Project Coordinator, WSIP/PCMU to review / examine the proposal / request of Irrigation Department for extension of the both consultancies in the light of SPPRA rules / guidelines and as per provision in the agreement and submit their recommendations.*



8. The forum was apprised the status/ position of finalization of Floods & Drainage Master Plan as per agenda item No. 5 of the meeting. The Additional Secretary, Irrigation Department informed that a dedicated region has been established in Irrigation Department to deal the recommendations of Master Plan. He further informed that some amount has already been allocated for priority works. *The Irrigation Department, GoSindh was requested to prepare a strategy including of funding through ADP/PSDP or any other Donor for implementation of the Master Plan's recommendations.*

9. Before the end of the meeting, the farmer member of committee pointed out operational issues of LBOD system and requested immediate measures/efforts for de-silting and closing of cuts on embankment of drain to avoid any mishap during the coming monsoon season. The representative of Irrigation Department stated that scheme for such works was already in pipeline but due to shortage of funds/cut of ADP allocation, the department is facing difficulty for implementation of said scheme. *However, the Chair asked that Irrigation Department to look into the matter and may arrange some funds from M&R budget for carrying out some essential/necessary works on LBOD to make it safe during the coming monsoon season.*

10. The meeting ended with a vote of thanks from and to the Chair.

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List of the Participants of the 20th Meeting of PSC, WSIP held on 8th July, 2014

Committee Members

- 1) Mr. Muhammad Waseem,
Additional Chief Secretary (Dev.), P&D Department.
- 2) Dr. Fateh Muhammad Marri, Project Coordinator, WSIP/PCMU
- 3) Mr. Zahid Hussain Junejo, Managing Director, SIDA/PD WSIP
- 4) Mr. Aslam Ansari, Additional Secretary, Irrigation Department, GoSindh
- 5) Mr. Khair M. Kalwar, Additional Secretary (Dev.), Finance Department, GoSindh
- 6) Mr. Abdul Qadir Tarrin, Additional Secretary (Tech) Agriculture Department, GoSindh
- 7) Dr. Shereen Mustafa, Additional Secretary (I&C) SGA&CD, GoSindh
- 8) Mr. Zahid Hussain Bhurgari, Farmer Member from Nara Canal AWB
- 9) Mr. Naushad Ali Jamali, Additional DG, SOFWM, Agriculture Department, GoSindh
- 10) Mr. Ylli Dedja, Team Leader, PMC/A WSIP
- 11) Mr. M. Ashraf Sahato, Director, CDA Sindh
- 12) Agha Tahir Hussain, Consultant, Sindh Forest Department, GoSindh

Special Invitees

- 13) Mr. Muhammad Ehsan Leghari, Head, PMO, Guddu Barrage, Irrigation Department
- 14) Mr. Nazir Hussain Mughal, Director (C&WM) PCMU, WSIP
- 15) Mr. Nazeer Ahemd Memon, General Manger, Transition SIDA
- 16) Mr. Naeem Ahemd Memon, General Manager, Finance SIDA
- 17) Mr. Jai Ram Motwani, General Manger, Operation SIDA
- 18) Mr. Ishtiaque Ahmed, Chief (W&D) P&D Department, GoSindh
- 19) Mr. Ayaz Memon, Assistant Chief (F.Aid) P&D Department, GoSindh
- 20) Mr. Ghulam Hyder Qureshi, Jr. Procurement Specialist, PMC/AWSIP
- 21) Mr. Javed Akhter Memon, Irrigation and Drainage Engineer, PCMU, WSIP
- 22) Mr. Imtiaz Ahemd Samoo, Procurement Specialist, SIDA
- 23) Raja Masroor Hussain, Planning Officer (F.Aid) P&D Department, GoSindh
- 24) Mr. Mahi Mahendrarajh, CRE, B-1, Project Implementation Consultants WSIP
- 25) Amanullah Qureshi, PC, Project Implementation Consultants, WSIP
- 26) Sardar M. Kakar, Environmental Engineer, M&E Consultants, WSIP