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21st Steering Committee of Public Private Partnership

The 21st meeting of Public Private Partnership Steering Committee was held on 17-11-15 under the Chairmanship of Minister for Finance, Government of Punjab. The Committee approved the project “Establishment of Multi-Modal Inter-City Bus Terminals in Lahore” for the next phase. For the project of “Establishment of bus terminal -cum-Commercial Complex at Railway Station, Lahore” the Committee decided to get the technical evaluation criteria approved from the Committee constituted by the Steering Committee. The pro-

ject “Dualization of Khanewal – Lodhran Road” was approved for finalization of Transaction Structure and Bidding Documents. An unsolicited project proposal by M/s SICPA Pvt. Ltd titled “An Anti-Counterfeiting and Traceability Solution to Improve Food Security in Punjab” was also discussed. The Committee further directed Lahore Ring Road Authority to explore other options/modes for the construction of Lahore Ring Road (Southern Loop).



International Seminar on Business Opportunities in Punjab

Government of the Punjab organized a two day seminar at Pearl Continental Hotel, Lahore, in which over 250 foreign delegates of prominent companies from China, Turkey, UK, Switzerland and other countries of the world participated.

at the venue to provide information on the Punjab PPP framework and showcase various upcoming PPP projects for foreign and local investors.

158 MOUs were signed with various international companies by local business houses and Government Departments.

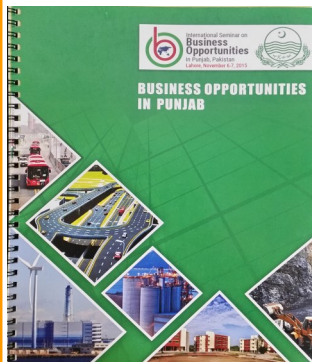
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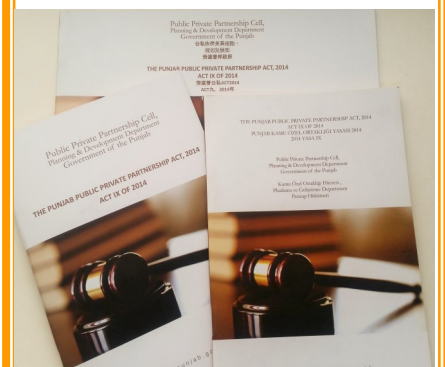


Project Booklet for Investors

A project information booklet was published in English, Chinese and Turkish language for participants of "International Seminar on Business Opportunities in Punjab" highlighting potential projects in Energy, Infrastructure, Housing, Transport, Industries and Mines & Minerals sectors.



Considering high interest of foreign investors, **PPP Act 2014** has been printed in Chinese and Turkish language for facilitation.



“Development Resources and Public Private Partnerships”

A talk on "Development Resources and Public Private Partnerships" by Member (PPP) Mr. Agha Waqar Javed was arranged for officials of P&D and administrative departments to enhance their capacity in initiating and implementing PPP projects. Member (PPP) stressed the need for leveraging private sector resources. He also discussed various challenges faced by government and private sector that must be addressed.

Member (PPP) explained that private investment was critical to achieve the targets of Punjab Growth Strategy and therefore it was imperative that the departments not only design their Annual Development Plan (ADP) to stimulate private investment but also make investment friendly policies and explore PPP opportunities. The session was attended by Members of P&D Board and large number of participants from various administrative departments.



ADB For Enhancing PPPs in Punjab

An AIDE MEMOIRE by Asian Development Bank has earmarked USD 50 Million while DFID will Co-Finance with USD 27 Million to enhance PPPs in Punjab. Out of USD 50 Million, USD 40 Million will be for Viability Gap Fund, USD 5 Million for Project Development Facility and USD 5 Million for Transaction Advisory Support.

ADB funding is in line with the Punjab Growth Strategy and medium term development framework which identifies PPPs as one of the key driver of change. It aims to accelerate growth, generate jobs and improve social outcomes, focusing on, among others, energy, water resources, irrigation,, health, education etc. in relation to MDGs indicators, skills development, governance, land titling and Public Private Partnerships(PPPs).

Farewell Dinner

A dinner was arranged to bid farewell to Mr. Babur Zaidi Chief (Capacity Building) who has been selected as Director Federal Public Service Commission, Islamabad. Member (PPP) and all team members attended the farewell dinner and wished him best to succeed for new phase of his professional career.

Orientation Session for AJK PPP Unit

A two day orientation session was organized for officials of AJK Government PPP Unit on 15-16th December 2015. The delegation comprised of Additional Secretary Law, Additional Secretary Finance, Chief (Tech) P&D and Director M&E of AJK government. Opening the orientation programme, Member (PPP) briefed the delegates about overall PPP framework, initiatives and achievements of PPP Cell. He talked about various projects and stressed the need for leveraging private sector investment in infrastructure and social sector.

Mr. Babur Zaidi, Chief (Capacity Building) gave a detailed presentation on PPP policy, guidelines, achievements, ongoing and pipeline of PPP projects. The delegation visited two sites of PPP Projects "Flyover at Defense Road, and Vehicle Inspection & Certification System at Green Town Lahore and also have meetings with PPP nodes. Copies of PPP Act 2014 and newsletters were provided to the delegates for their understanding.



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World bank Interested in Supporting PPPs in Punjab

Detail discussion was held between World Bank Mission and Member (PPP) along with PPP Cell team on "Punjab Jobs and Competitiveness Program for Results (P4R) Programme". The World Bank is exploring avenues to promote industrial development through PPPs and will be committing resources towards Viability Gap Fund (VGF) for a period of five years.

Lecture on Public Private Partnership for Senior Officials

Member (PPP) delivered a lecture on Punjab Public Private Partnership initiatives to the participants of 18th Senior Management Course at National Management College. The lecture was followed by detailed Q & A session. The participants showed keen interest in Punjab PPP initiatives, policy framework, international PPP practices, risk sharing, challenges, ongoing and pipeline PPP projects.