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Islamabad, the July 24, 2025

Sub: **2ND PROGRESS REVIEW MEETING OF FPSP-III**

Kindly find enclosed herewith copy of minutes of the subject meeting held on **July 03, 2025 at 1400 hours** in the Committee Room of this office at Islamabad, under the Chairmanship of CEA & CFFC. All concerned organizations are advised to ensure complete and prompt compliance of the decisions.

This issues with the approval of the CEA & Chairman FFC.


(Hussain Shigri)
Senior Engineer Floods

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1. Director General, Pakistan Meteorological Department, H-8, Islamabad.
2. Member (Water), WAPDA, WAPDA House, Lahore.
3. Chairman, Indus River System Authority, Islamabad.
4. Chief Executive Officer, Pakistan Railways, Lahore.
5. Pakistan Commissioner for Indus Waters (PCIW), Islamabad.
6. Chairman, National Highway Authority, Islamabad.
7. Member (Operations), National Disaster Management Authority, Prime Minister's Office, Islamabad
8. Director General PCRWR, Islamabad.
9. Secretary, Irrigation Department, Government of the Punjab, Lahore.
10. Secretary, Irrigation Department, Government of Sindh, Karachi.
11. Secretary, Irrigation Department, Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar.
12. Secretary, Irrigation Department, Government of Balochistan, Quetta.
13. Secretary Water Management & Irrigation Department, Government of Gilgit Baltistan, Gilgit.
14. Secretary, Irrigation & Agriculture Department, Government of AJ&K, Muzaffarabad.

Sub: Minutes of 2nd Progress Review Meeting of FPSP-III held on 3rd July 2025, in O/o CEA & CFFC, Islamabad

2nd Progress Review Meeting of the Umbrella PC-I of Flood Protection Sector Project (FPSP-III) was held on 3rd July 2025 at 1400 hours in the Committee Room of Office of the Chief Engineering Adviser & Chairman, Federal Flood Commission (O/o CEA & CFFC), under the Chairmanship of CEA & CFFC. The list of participants is attached as **Annexure-I**.

2. The meeting started with recitation from the Holy Quran. Following the recitation and formal introduction, the Chair welcomed all participants and emphasized that purpose of the meeting was to review progress of the Flood Protection Sector Project-III (FPSP-III). The Chair recalled that Umbrella PC-I of FPSP-III was approved by the ECNEC on June 27, 2023, at a total cost of Rs. 194.625 billion followed by issuance of the Administrative Approval on July 25, 2023.
3. The Chair apprised the forum that the project could not be physically commenced during the previous financial year (FY 2024-25) due to the unavailability of foreign financing in spite of PSDP allocation. He highlighted that one of EAD's key requirements for engaging with donors was the submission of approved PC-Is of the respective sub-projects.
4. Referring to the first Steering Committee meeting of FPSP-III held on April 17, 2025, under the Chairmanship of the Federal Minister for Planning, the Chair said that all implementing agencies must submit PC-Is of their respective sub-projects aligned with the ECNEC's approved Umbrella PC-I. Ministry of Planning, Development & Special Initiatives (MoPD&SI) would further process PC-I for approval. The Chair urged all stakeholders and implementing partners to expedite submission of PC-Is without further delay.
5. The meeting then proceeded to discuss the agenda items in seriatim.

AGENDA ITEM NO. I

REVIEW THE IMPLEMENTATION STATUS OF DECISION OF 1ST PROGRESS REVIEW MEETING ON FPSP-III HELD ON 31ST JANUARY 2025

6. The Chair recalled the decisions taken during the First Progress Review Meeting of FPSP-III held on 31st January 2025, where all implementing partners and stakeholders were directed to submit PC-Is of their respective sub-projects on immediate basis. While commitments were made and timelines given for submission, the Chair expressed concern that, to date, none of the executing agencies except WAPDA, PMD, and PCRWR had submitted their PC-Is. He further stated that provinces had been advised to reflect FPSP-III in their respective Annual Development Programmes (ADPs) for FY 2025-26 with sufficient budgetary allocations, as the project financing was based on 50:50 cost-sharing formula between the Federal and Provincial Governments. However, none of the provinces shared any update on allocations in their ADPs.
7. The Chair emphasized the urgent need for early submission of individual PC-Is along with detailed work plans for FY 2025-26. He then invited the provincial and federal line agencies to provide updates on the status of PC-I submissions.
8. The representative of the Irrigation Department, Government of Punjab, informed that PC-I of one of the sub-projects had been submitted to the P&D Department Punjab for PDWP clearance, while the PC-I of another sub-project was under preparation and expected to be finalized soon. Once cleared, both the PC-Is would be submitted to FFC for further processing. He added that a token allocation of Rs. 1.00 million had been kept under Punjab's ADP 2025-26 for FPSP-III.

9. The representative of PID Sindh informed that forty (40) sub-projects had been included under FPSP-III for Sindh. The PC-I for the "Reconstruction/ Rehabilitation of Malir Weirs I, II, III & Thado Dam," had been submitted to the Ministry of Water Resources through iPAS following PDWP clearance. The Chair shared that FFC had already examined the document and forwarded detailed observations to the Ministry of Water Resources for clarification and necessary amendments by PID Sindh. The representative stated that no comments had yet been received by PID Sindh, however once received, they would respond promptly. The Chair urged early submission of the remaining PC-Is by PID Sindh to FFC.

10. The representative of the Irrigation Department, Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, informed that thirty-one (31) sub-projects had been included of KP under FPSP-III. The PC-Is for all sub-projects had been prepared after feasibility studies and submitted to the P&D Department KP for PDWP clearance. However, clearance had been delayed due to the queries regarding financing mechanism. These queries had been addressed, and it was expected that PDWP would now grant approval, after which the PC-Is would be forwarded to FFC.

11. The representative of Irrigation & Water Management, Gilgit-Baltistan, apprised the forum that out of ten (10) sub-projects, PC-Is for three (03) sub-projects located in Diamer, Shigar, and Nagar had been completed by the consultants following detailed feasibility studies and would soon be submitted to GB-PWD. Preparation of PC-Is for the remaining seven (07) sub-projects was underway and likely to be completed by the end of August 2025. The Chair stressed timely submission of all PC-Is, supported with feasibility studies, in line with the Steering Committee's direction to initiate work at the sub-projects through PSDP.

12. The representative of Irrigation & Small Dams, AJ&K, stated that out of four (04) sub-projects under FPSP-III, two flood protection schemes had been submitted to FFC in 2023. Following a visit by FFC's Monitoring Team, changes in scheme locations were advised. These schemes were then reviewed during FFC's 2nd Scrutinizing Committee meeting held on 18th December 2023, where they were deferred for second site visit. The representative requested the Chair to schedule the visit. The Chair agreed that the visit of these schemes would be carried out by FFC's Monitoring Team comprising of GIS & Hydrology experts.

13. The representative of PMD shared that two sub-projects of PMD under FPSP-III had been merged into a single scheme following the decision of Scrutinizing Committee meetings held on 18th September and 18th December 2023. The merged PC-I had been submitted to the Ministry of Water Resources via iPAS. Observations received from the Ministry were responded through FFC. FFC's Senior Engineer (Floods) stated that the observations had not been fully addressed and that a compliance report had been prepared and will be shared shortly. The Chair advised PMD to submit final PC-I at the earliest after addressing the Ministry's comments.

14. The representative of WAPDA informed that PC-Is for four (04) sub-projects and PC-II for one (01) sub-project included under FPSP-III had been cleared by FFC's Scrutinizing Committee meeting on 18th December 2023 and were currently under process with the Ministry of Water Resources. The Chair advised WAPDA to maintain close coordination with the Ministry for timely submission of PC-Is to the Ministry of Planning, Development & Special Initiatives for formal approval.

15. The representative of PCRWR informed that PC-Is of three (03) sub-projects were submitted via iPAS in 2024. Two (02) were returned by the Ministry of Water Resources with comments, which were discussed with FFC. However, resubmission could not be done due to iPAS closure by PD&SI Division. The Chair advised PCRWR to remain in contact with the Ministry and upload the corrected PC-Is as soon as iPAS was re-opened.

16. After detailed discussions, following decisions were made:

- (i) Provincial Irrigation Departments of Punjab, Sindh, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and Balochistan, Irrigation and Small Dams Department of AJ&K and Irrigation & Water Management Department of Gilgit-Baltistan, shall efficiently submit PC-Is of priority sub-projects of FPSP-III proposed to be implemented/ take off during financial year 2025-26.
- (ii) PIDs/ FLAs will submit their respective Work Plans for the financial year 2025-26 within a weeks' time.
- (iii) Provincial Irrigation Departments of Punjab, Sindh, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, and Balochistan submit details of matching fund allocations made under their provincial ADPs for the current financial year for the implementation of FPSP-III.
- (iv) Pakistan Council of Research in Water Resources (PCRWR) will submit final PC-Is for its sub-projects under FPSP-III in case those are returned by the Ministry of Water Resources through iPAS.
- (v) WAPDA and the Pakistan Meteorological Department (PMD) will submit their respective PC-Is on iPAS duly addressing and incorporating the observations of the Ministry of Water Resources, once the iPAS system is reopened by the Ministry of Planning, Development & Special Initiatives.

AGENDA ITEM NO. II

REVIEW OF IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DECISIONS TAKEN IN THE 1ST PROJECT STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 17TH APRIL 2025.

17. The Chair informed the forum that the first Meeting of the Project Steering Committee (PSC), established for the coordination and management of the Umbrella PC-I of the Flood Protection Sector Project (FPSP-III), was held on **Thursday, 17th April 2025**, in the Committee Room, P-Block, Pak Secretariat, Islamabad. The meeting was chaired by the Federal Minister for Planning, Development & Special Initiatives and the minutes were circulated by FFC on **3rd June 2025** after approval of competent authority to all stakeholders with a request for early submission of the compliance status on the decisions taken during the meeting, however so far no compliance status had been received from the PIDs/FLAs. He also requested the stakeholders for early submission of the PC-Is of sub project in accordance with the decision of the Steering Committee meeting.

18. After detailed discussions, following decisions were made:

- (i) All the Executing Agencies will submit status of implementation of the decisions taken during 1st meeting of PSC in one week.
- (ii) PIDs and FLAs will submit on priority the PC-Is of the sub-projects proposed for Yen Loan financing (as listed in **Annexure-II**) on immediate basis to facilitate the arrangement of foreign financing through the Economic Affairs Division (EAD).

AGENDA ITEM NO. III

CONSULTATION ON THE INSTITUTIONAL RESTRUCTURING OF FEDERAL FLOOD COMMISSION

19. The Chair apprised the participants that the forum of Federal Flood Commission (FFC) was created in 1977. He further elaborated that after 2010 floods, on the directions of the Supreme Court of Pakistan under Constitution Petition No. 62/2010, the then Ministry of Water and Power reconstituted the Commission vide Notification No. 3(22)/2015-Water dated 9th July 2015.

20. He also informed the participants that under the Climate & Disaster Resilience Enhancement Program (CDREP), one of the policy actions required preparation and submission of Bill for the institutional restructuring of the Federal Flood Commission and its approval by the Government. In this regard, the Asian Development Bank (ADB) had extended Technical Assistance for drafting of the Bill by hiring two institutional reforms consultants (foreign & local). The Chair further informed that the earlier prepared draft Bill was circulated among PIDs & FLAs. The response received from all stakeholders had been incorporated in the present draft prepared by the Institutional Reform Consultants appointed by the ADB. The final draft of the Bill had been submitted to the Ministry of Water Resources on 24th June 2025 for further processing and necessary approvals.

21. He explained that functions and composition of the proposed re-structured FFC's Bill remained largely consistent with the earlier notified structure. However, under the new arrangement, the FFC would be legally empowered to issue No Objection Certificates (NOCs) for the construction of structures along and across the rivers to ensure safety of public and to avoid bottlenecks in the smooth river flows. None of the participants raised any comment or observation on the matter.

22. It was unanimously agreed by all stakeholders to further process the Bill for restructuring of FFC for approval by the relevant fora of GoP.

AGENDA ITEM NO. IV

STATUS OF REMOVAL OF ENCROACHMENTS

23. CEA & CFFC raised the critical and long outstanding issue of encroachments in the flood plains/ waterways that hindered the smooth flow of water. He highlighted that the said issue had been discussed in several meetings of the Senate Standing Committee on Water Resources, wherein the Honourable members had shown their dis-satisfaction over the presence of encroachments in the waterways of the rivers and had directed to remove all the illegal construction within the flood plain. He then requested the representatives of the Provincial Irrigation Departments (PIDs) to submit to FFC detailed status of removal of encroachments in the waterways/ floodplains for onward submission to Senate Standing Committee on Water Resources. He also advised to share with FFC the details of removed encroachments alongwith their coordinates and dates of action/ removal so that the same could be shared with SUPARCO for verification. Subsequently, following decisions were taken:

- i. Irrigation Departments of the Punjab, Sindh, KP, Balochistan, AJ&K and GB will share updated status of encroachments removed containing their coordinates, status and nature and removal date on the prescribed Excel format already circulated among concerned organizations.
- ii. Upon receipt of the above information, FFC will forward the same to SUPARCO, who will carry out verification and submit report to FFC.

4. The meeting ended with the note of thanks from the Chair.

**2ND PROGRESS REVIEW MEETING OF FPSP-III, HELD ON 3RD JULY 2025 AT 1400
HOURS**

LIST OF PARTICIPANTS

Federal Flood Commission, Islamabad

1. Mr. Ather Hameed
Chief Engineering Advisor & Chairman FFC
2. Dr. Muhammad Ejaz Tanveer
Superintending Engineer (Floods-I)
3. Mr. Zafar Iqbal
Superintending Engineer (Floods-II)
4. Mr. Hussain Shigri
Senior Engineer (Floods)
5. Mr. Sibte Hassan
Assistant Engineer (Floods-III)
6. Mr. Basit Hussain
Sub Engineer (Floods-I)

In Chair

National Disaster Management Authority

7. Col. Ali Imran
Director Operations

Indus River System Authority

8. Mr. Khalid Idrees Rana
Secretary

PCRWR

9. Mr. Dilshad Arshad
Director
10. Mr. Kashif Manzoor
Deputy Director

Pakistan Commissioner for Indus Water

11. Mr. Khurshid Asghar
Joint Commissioner

WAPDA

12. Mr. Aijaz Hussain Memon
Chief Engineer
Hydrology & Water Management

Pakistan Meteorological Department, Islamabad

13. Mr. Shahbaz Yousaf
Administrative Officer (P&D)
14. Mr. Zaheer Uddin Babar
Chief Meteorologist

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Irrigation Department, Govt. of Punjab, Lahore

15. Mr. Malik Sarfraz Khalid
Chief Engineer (D&F)

Irrigation Department, Govt. of Sindh, Karachi

16. Mr. Fareed Memon
Chief Engineer
Southern Sindh Drainage Region
17. Mr. Muhammad Rahim Qureshi
Superintending Engineer
Lower Sindh Circle Hyderabad
18. Mr. Sajid Abbas
Executive Engineer

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Irrigation Department, Govt. of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar

19. Mr. Anwer Kamal
Superintending Engineer (North)

Online

Water Management & Irrigation Directorate, Govt. of GB, Gilgit

20. Mr. Abdul Haseeb
Assistant Director

Online

Irrigation & Small Dams Department, Government of AJ&K

21. Mr. Ajaz Hussain Khawaja
Director General (Irrigation)

Annexure-II

List of ready to implement projects under FPSP-III for consideration of Yen Loan
Financing by Government of Japan.

A. Short Term

Sr. #	Name of Scheme	Estimated Cost (Rs Million)	20% PSDP/ADP	80% Foreign Financing
	WAPDA			
1	Formulation of National Watershed Management Plan, WAPDA	737.00	147.4	589.6
2	Strengthening and O&M of Glacier Monitoring & Research Center (GMRC), WAPDA	250.00	50	200
3	Strengthening of SWHP Stream Gauging and Climate Stations, WAPDA	303.50	60.7	242.8
4	Improvement of High Frequency (HF) Radios Network of Water Resources Management Directorate, WAPDA	437.00	87.4	349.6
	Sub Total	1,727.5	345.5	1382
	PMD			
5	Expansion of Meteorological Network by Installation of AWS in the country	2,086.83	417.366	1669.464
6	Establishment of Regional Flood Forecasting and Early Warning Centers at Quetta, Karachi, Peshawar, Gilgit, Multan and Muzaffarabad.	2,938.57	587.714	2350.856
	Sub Total	5,025.4	1005.08	4020.32
	Punjab			
	Remodeling of Nutkani Flood Carrying Channel at RD: 0-21000. D.G. Khan Zone	1,046	209.2	836.8
	Sub Total	1,046	209.2	836.8
	Balochistan			
7	Flood Distribution Structure at Lehri Chakar River in District Kachi	6500.00	1300	5200
8	Restoration of Flood Damages-2022 Escape Distry, District Jhal Magsi	191.08	38.216	152.864
9	Restoration of Flood Damages-2022 Begari Canal, District Jhal Magsi	62.00	12.4	49.6
10	Restoration of Flood Damages-2022 Zareenabad Minor, District Jhal Magsi	45.00	9	36
11	Restoration of Flood Damages-2022 Gajan Channel, District Jhal Magsi	28.58	5.716	22.864
12	Restoration of Flood Damages-2022 Moula Flood Protection Bund Gandawah District Jhal Magsi	25.00	5	20
13	Restoration of Flood Damages-2022 Flood Protection Bund Gandawah Town District Jhal Magsi	72.815	14.563	58.252
14	Flood Management of Bund Kush Dil Khan Dam in District Pishin	566.980	113.396	453.584
15	PC-I for Flood Protection Works in District Ziarat			
	Construction of flood protection works for protection of houses and Orchards of Zindra village in District Ziarat	246.66	49.332	197.328

	Construction of flood protection of land/ houses Tangi Area, District Ziarat	96.86	19.372	77.488
	Construction of flood protection of Nurri Kawas Area, District Ziarat	161.44	32.288	129.152
	Construction of flood protection wall for agricultural land of Abdul Rehman Killi Saleh Askhobi, District Ziarat	14.33	2.866	11.464
	Construction of flood protection wall for agricultural land of Qamar Gate Sinjavi Area, District Ziarat	5.42	1.084	4.336
16	PC-I for Flood Protection Works in District Hub-II			
	Construction of Flood Protection Wall on Zhob River	100.40	20.08	80.32
	Construction of Flood Protection Wall on Salyaza River	49.00	9.8	39.2
17	Restoration of Sarwati flood protection and Diversion Bund, District Harnai	68.20	13.64	54.56
	Sub Total	8233.765	1646.753	6587.012
	AJ&K			
18	Construction of Flood Protection Infrastructure on Right & Left bank of River Neelum at Makri and Chela Bandi, District Muzaffrabad	162.098	32.4196	129.6784
19	Construction of Flood Protection walls at Qadirabad, Chahtter, Rehra, Dhuli Bridge, Huda Bridge, Manjhari and Dhol Qazian in District Bagh	147.602	29.5204	118.0816
	Sub Total	309.7	61.94	247.76
	Gil-Baltistan			
20	Construction of Flood Protection Structures in District Gilgit	1858.00	371.6	1486.4
21	Construction of Flood Protection Structures in District Diamer	1250.00	250	1000
22	Construction of Flood Protection Structures in District Ghizer	745.27	149.054	596.216
23	Construction of Flood Protection Structures in District Hunza	584.64	116.928	467.712
24	Construction of Flood Protection Structures in District Nagar	562.024	112.4048	449.6192
25	Construction of Flood Protection Structures in District Astore	800.00	160	640
26	Construction of Flood Protection Structures in District Skardu	801.023	160.2046	640.8184
27	Construction of Flood Protection Structures in District Shigar	696.579	139.3158	557.2632
28	Construction of Flood Protection Structures in District Ghanche	600.00	120	480
29	Construction of Flood Protection Structures in District Kharmong	299.971	59.9942	239.9768
	Sub Total	8,197.507	1,639.501	6,558.0056
	Grand Total	24,539.872	4,907.974	19,631.8976

B. Medium Term

Sr. #	Name of Scheme	Estimated Cost (Rs Million)	20% PSDP/ADP	80% Foreign Financing
	Punjab			
	Construction of Mithawan Hill Torrent Flood Carrying Channel Crossing RD 316+000 of D.G. Khan Canal. D.G. Khan Zone	4,732.738	946.5476	3,786.19
	Protecting Village Sarki and allied abadies from severe erosive action of River Indus along Khanwah Flood Bund between RD 61+000 to RD 78+000 (Taunsa Guddu Reach)- D.G Khan Zone	2,840.041	568.0082	2,272.03
	Checking Erosive Action of River Indus along Khanwah Flood Bund to save adjoining Abadies of village Seet Pur to Sarki for Implementation of Model Study 2019 (D.G Khan Zone)- D.G Khan Zone-	7,572.78	1514.556	6,058.22
	Sindh			
	Reconstruction/ rehabilitation of Malir Weirs-I, II, III & Thado Dam	16,058.156	3211.631	12,846.52
	Sub Total	16,058.16	3211.631	12,846.52
	Balochistan			
	PC-I for Flood Protection Works in District Hub-I			
	Construction of Flood Protection Bund Gadani Town.	138.74	27.75	110.99
	PC-I for Flood Protection Works in District Hub-II			
	Flood protection bund for Ghutta Goth	180.95	36.19	144.76
	Flood protection bund for Chaker Goth	125.69	25.14	100.55
	Flood protection bund for Minor No. 2	145.95	29.19	116.76
	Flood protection bund for Abdullah Goth Gaddani	125.85	25.17	100.68
	Construction of Flood Protection Bund at Khasnob Area District Killa Saifullah	240.406	48.08	192.32
	Construction of flood protection bund for Nushki Town, District Nushki	231.068	46.21	184.85
	Sub Total	1,188.654	237.73	950.92
	AJ&K		-	-
	Construction of 15 Small/ Mini Dams in AJ&K (Package-II)	5,648.19	1,129.64	4,518.55
	Sub Total	5,648.19	1,129.64	4,518.55
	Grand Total	14,409.62	2,881.92	11,527.70

C. Long Term

Sr. #	Name of Scheme	Estimated Cost (Rs Million)	20% PSDP/ADP	80% Foreign Financing
	Punjab			
1	Construction of Vidore Hill Torrent Flood Carrying Channel Crossing RD 242+000 of D.G.Khan Canal. D.G. Khan Zone	12,596.53	2,519.31	10,077.22
2	Extension of Bhakkar Flood Bund upto Layyah City Flood Bund from RD 105+000 to 264+000-Sargodha Zone	3,000.00	600.00	2,400.00
	Sub Total	15,596.53	3,119.31	12,477.22
	Balochistan			
3	Construction of flood protection bund for Rabi Canal-II to Pat feeder Canal parallel to Qabula River in length of 21 km	1291.00	258.20	1,032.80
	Flood Dispersal Structure Katoor District Kachi	1500.00	300.00	1,200.00
4	Sub Total	2,791.00	558.20	2,232.80
	AJ&K			
5	Construction of 11 Small/ Mini Dams in AJ&K (Package-I)	5,187.00	1,037.40	4,149.60
	Sub Total	5,187.00	1,037.40	4,149.60
	Grand Total	23,574.53	4,714.91	18,859.62

(Note: Proposal received from PID Punjab vide letter No. D&F/2025/812/FPSP-III DATED 30th April, 2025, Focal Person of PID Sindh and Balochistan, Irrigation and Water Management Department GB vide letter No. S-WM&I-D(07)/2024/1785 dated 25th April 2025 and Irrigation and Small Dams AJK vide letter No.DG/Irri/729/2025 dated 13th May 2025.)