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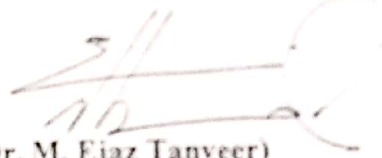
1. Member (Water), WAPDA, WAPDA House, Lahore.
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4. Secretary, Irrigation Department, Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar.
5. Secretary, Irrigation Department, Government of Balochistan, Quetta.
6. Secretary, Water Management & Irrigation Department, Govt. of Gilgit-Baltistan, Gilgit.
7. Secretary, Irrigation & Agriculture Department, Government of AJ&K, Muzaffarabad.
8. Director General, Pakistan Meteorological Department, H-8, Islamabad.
9. Director General, PCRWR, Islamabad.

Sub: MINUTES OF 1ST PROGRESS REVIEW MEETING OF UMBRELLA PC-I OF
FPSP-III

Kindly find enclosed herewith a copy of minutes of the subject meeting held on January 31, 2025 at 1030 hours in the Committee Room of this office at Islamabad, under the Chairmanship of the CEA/ CFFC. All concerned organizations are advised to ensure compliance of the decisions.

2. This issues with the approval of CEA/ CFFC.

Encl: As stated


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Copy alongwith enclosure to: -

1. General Manager (HRM), WAPDA, WAPDA House Lahore.
2. Dr. M. Agha Baber, Director (Planning), PMD, Islamabad.
3. Chief Engineer (D&F), Provincial Irrigation Department, Govt. of the Punjab Lahore.
4. Special Secretary (Tech.), Provincial Irrigation Department, Govt. of Sindh, Karachi.
5. Mr. Anwar Kamal, Chief Engineer (North), PID, Govt. of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar
6. Mr. Bashir Tareen, Chief Engineer/ PC, PID, Govt. of Balochistan, Quetta.
7. Khawaja Ajaz Hussain, D.G, Irrigation & Small Dams, Govt. of AJ&K, Muzaffarabad
8. Director, Water Management, Water Management & Irrigation Department, Govt. of Gilgit-Baltistan, Gilgit

Sub: Minutes of 1st Progress Review Meeting of Flood Protection Sector Project-III (FPSP-III) held on 31st January 2025, in the O/o CEA/CFFC, Islamabad

1st Progress Review Meeting of Flood Protection Sector Project-III (FPSP-III) was held on **31st January 2025 at 10:30 AM** in the Committee Room of the Office of the Chief Engineering Adviser/Chairman, Federal Flood Commission (O/o CEA/CFFC). List of participants is attached as **Annexure-I**.

2. GEA/CFFC chaired the meeting. The meeting started with the recitation of the Holy Quran. Following the recitation and a formal introduction, the Chair welcomed all the participants and informed that purpose of the meeting was to review progress of the Project keeping in view the 2024-25 Work/Cash Plan finalized during the meeting held on **August 07, 2024**. The Chair added that the Project was approved by the ECNEC on **June 27, 2023**, with a total cost of **Rs. 194.625 billion**, for which the Ministry of Water Resources (MoWR) issued the project's Administrative Approval on **July 25, 2023**. He stated that the Federal Government had allocated Rs 3.0 billion (Rs 2.0 billion from federal source and Rs 1.0 billion in foreign funding) under the PSDP (2024-25) for the project implementation.

3. The Chair provided an overview of the financing arrangement approved by ECNEC, highlighting that the total foreign funding requirement for the sub-projects of **Rs 155.7 billion**. During the ECNEC meeting on **June 27, 2023**, the Economic Affairs Division (EAD) was tasked with identifying potential donors/lenders to secure the required funding for the project. Despite EAD's significant efforts, financing for only seven (07) sub-projects i.e. Rs 16,275.31 million could be explored.

4. While discussing the Work Plan/Cash Plan for the current financial year, the Chair stated that 41 sub-projects had been finalized for implementation under the Work Plan. However, PC-Is for only seven (07) sub-projects had been received at the Office of the CEA/CFFC. He urged stakeholders to expedite the submission of the remaining PC-I documents in line with the Work Plan for FY 2024-25. The Chair then invited stakeholders to deliver detailed presentations on the agenda items.

5. Representative of PID Punjab informed the forum that two sub-projects had been included in the Project Work Plan for 2024-25. The PC-I for one sub-project had been submitted to the P&D Board for clearance by the PDWP, while PC-I for the second scheme was still under preparation and would be finalized soon. Once approved by the P&D Board, both PC-Is would be submitted to the O/o CEA/CFFC for further processing. Regarding financial requirements up to June 30, 2025, the representative stated that no funds would be required.

6. Special Secretary, PID Sindh informed the forum that forty (40) flood protection schemes were included in the Project for Sindh Province. However, due to the unavailability of external

financing, the Government of Sindh had undertaken urgent works using alternative funding sources. The Chair directed PID Sindh to provide a list of those urgent works to this office so that their costs could be excluded from the Project to avoid duplication and facilitate future negotiations for external financing.

7. Representative of PID Sindh informed that two sub-projects were included in the 2024-25 Work Plan. The PC-I for the "Reconstruction/Rehabilitation of Malir Weirs-I, II, III & Thado Dam," with an estimated cost of Rs. 13,950.451 million, had been submitted to the P&D Department for PDWP clearance, after which it would be forwarded to the O/o CEA/CFFC. Similarly, the PC-I for the "Rehabilitation of H.P Bund from Mile 0/0 to 20/2, Stone Pitching from Mile 14/7 to 20/2, and Recouping of Stone Apron at Various Locations," estimated at Rs. 1,335 million, was also under review by the P&D Department. He stated that no expenditure was expected before June 30, 2025.

8. Representative of the Provincial Irrigation Department, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, informed the forum that 31 sub-projects were included in the Umbrella PC-I of FPSP-III. Following feasibility studies, the PC-Is for all sub-projects had been completed and submitted to the P&D Department KP for PDWP clearance. However, the P&D Department received communication from the Ministry of Water Resources regarding the approval of NFPP-IV by the CCI, which proposed 100% provincial funding for these schemes. As a result, the P&D Department had not cleared the PC-Is. The Chair clarified that the ECNEC's decision be followed. Therefore, the province should proceed with PC-I submissions as per the approved financing mechanism. Regarding financial requirements up to June 30, 2025, the representative stated that no funds were required for PID KP.

9. Representative of the Irrigation Department, Government of Balochistan, informed the forum that 11 sub-projects were included in the 2024-25 Work Plan, and their PC-Is were ready for submission to the Planning Department, Government of Balochistan, for PDWP clearance. Once approved, they would be forwarded to the O/o CEA/CFFC for further processing. He further stated that, due to time constraints, no funds were required for PID Balochistan up to June 30, 2025. Additionally, the Government of Balochistan had allocated Rs 250 million as its provincial share for the project (Umbrella PC-I of FPSP-III) in the current financial year's budget.

10. Director, Water Management, Irrigation & Water Management Department, Gilgit-Baltistan informed the forum that 10 sub-projects were included in the 2024-25 Work Plan. The Government of Gilgit-Baltistan had initiated feasibility studies and detailed designs, with consultants mobilized on December 12, 2024, and surveys were currently underway. The PC-Is for all 10 sub-projects, along with feasibility studies, were expected to be completed by March/April 2025 and subsequently PC-I's would be submitted to the Office of CEA/CFFC for further processing. Regarding financial requirements, the representative of Gilgit-Baltistan confirmed that allocated funds would be fully utilized by June 30, 2025, provided the PC-Is were approved by April 2025.

11. Director General, Irrigation & Small Dams, AJ&K stated that two (2) sub-projects were included in the 2024-25 Work Plan. The PC-Is for both sub-projects were submitted to the O/o

CEA/CFFC but were deferred in the 2nd Scrutinizing Committee meeting of FFC, pending a second physical visit by the FFC Monitoring Team. The AJ&K representative further highlighted that under the Normal/Emergent Flood Programme, one (1) flood protection scheme was deferred by the DDWP of the Ministry of Water Resources for modifications to the PC-I, incorporating a 2-D modeling approach. He added that after conducting in-house 2-D modeling, the amended PC-I was now ready for submission. The Superintending Engineer (Floods) pointed out that since this scheme was considered under the Normal/Emergent Flood Programme, which was closed by the Planning Commission following the approval of the Umbrella PC-I of FPSP-III, and the proposed sub-project was not included in the approved Umbrella PC-I of FPSP-III, the AJ&K Government may consider financing this sub-project through their Annual Development Plan (ADP).

12. Director General, PCRWR informed the forum that the PC-Is for three (3) sub-projects, included in the Umbrella PC-I of FPSP-III, were submitted to the Ministry of Water Resources via iPAS in March 2024. However, the PC-Is were still under review at the Ministry of Water Resources. Senior Engineer(Floods) FFC stated that this office had not received any information regarding the uploading of the PC-Is on iPAS. The Chair advised PCRWR to re-submit the amended PC-I after incorporating the observations of FFC's Scrutinizing Committee once the Ministry of Water Resources returns the PC-Is via iPAS. Additionally, the Chair directed FFC's team to facilitate PCRWR throughout the process.

13. General Manager (HRM), WAPDA informed the forum that five (5) sub-projects were included in the Umbrella PC-I of FPSP-III and the PC-Is for all sub-projects had been submitted to the Ministry of Water Resources via iPAS after clearance by the FFC Scrutinizing Committee. Regarding the funding requirements for the current financial year, the WAPDA representative stated that given the time constraints for PC-I approval and the limited remaining time before the financial year closes, it would be difficult for WAPDA to utilize funds by June 30, 2025. Therefore, no budget demand was required for WAPDA until June 30, 2025. As for the budget demand for the next financial year, he stated that it would be submitted in due course. The Chair directed WAPDA to submit demand for next financial year within weeks' time.

14. Director (Planning), Pakistan Meteorological Department (PMD) informed the forum that two (2) sub-projects were included in the Project (Umbrella PC-I of FPSP-III). However, following decisions of the 2nd Scrutinizing Committee meeting of FFC, both the PC-Is were consolidated into a single PC-I. The PC-I was subsequently submitted to the Ministry of Water Resources (MoWR) via iPAS for further processing. However, the Ministry returned it for amendments. He stated that PMD would promptly resubmit the PC-I after making the necessary corrections. The Chair advised PMD to expedite uploading of the revised PC-I on iPAS after incorporating the corrections suggested by MoWR, as the PMD project was proposed for funding through the Eco Trade and Development Bank (ETDB) and required prompt approval.

15. After detailed discussion, the following decisions were made:

- (i) Provincial Irrigation Departments of Punjab, Sindh, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, and Balochistan, Irrigation & Small Dams Department of AJ&K and Irrigation & Water Management Department of Gilgit-Baltistan shall immediately submit PC-Is of the sub-projects included in the Work Plan 2024-25 to the O/o CEA/CFFC for further processing and approval by the respective fora with updated implementation plan.
- (ii) PIDs/FLAs shall also submit the readiness status of sub-projects under the Umbrella PC-I of FPSP-III, in addition to those listed in the Work Plan for FY 2024-25, within one week.
- (iii) PIDs/FLAs shall submit funding demands for FY 2025-26 within one week.
- (iv) Provincial Irrigation Departments of Punjab, Sindh, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and Balochistan shall ensure allocation of matching funds in their respective provincial ADPs for the next financial year requesting for implementation of FPSP-III sub-projects.
- (v) All PC-Is for sub-projects included in the Annual Work Plan (2024-25) must be supported detailed feasibility studies, designs, and economic analyses, as required by ECNEC.
- (vi) PCRWR shall submit the amended PC-Is/ PC-IIs for the sub-projects under the Umbrella PC-I of FPSP-III, after incorporating the replies/ compliance to the observations of FFC's Scrutinizing Committee.
- (vii) WAPDA and PMD shall submit their funding requirements for the implementation of FPSP-III sub-projects in FY 2025-26 within one week.

16. The meeting ended with the vote of thanks from the Chair.

**LIST OF PARTICIPANTS OF 1ST PROGRESS REVIEW MEETING OF FLOOD PROTECTION
SECTOR PROJECT-III (FPSP-III) HELD ON 31ST JANUARY 2025 IN OFFICE OF CEA/ CFFC**

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Superintending Engineer (Floods-II)
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Pakistan Meteorological Department, Islamabad

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Director
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