
LOAN NUMBER 3264-PAK

PROJECT AGREEMENT
(Flood Emergency Reconstruction and Resilience Project)

between

ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK

and

PROVINCE OF PUNJAB

DATED 09 JULY 2015

PAK 49038

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PROJECT AGREEMENT dated 09 July 2015 between ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK ("ADB") and the PROVINCE OF PUNJAB ("Punjab").

WHEREAS

(A) by a Loan Agreement of even date herewith between the Islamic Republic of Pakistan ("Borrower") and ADB ("Ordinary Operations Loan Agreement"), ADB has agreed to make to the Borrower a loan of two hundred eighteen million forty thousand Dollars (\$218,040,000) on the terms and conditions set forth in the Loan Agreement; but only on the condition that a portion of the proceeds of the loan be made available to Punjab and that Punjab agrees to undertake certain obligations towards ADB set forth herein; and

(B) Punjab, in consideration of ADB entering into the Loan Agreement with the Borrower, has agreed to undertake the obligations set forth herein;

NOW THEREFORE the parties hereto agree as follows:

ARTICLE I

Definitions

Section 1.01. Wherever used in this Project Agreement, unless the context otherwise requires, the several terms defined in the Loan Agreement and in the Loan Regulations (as defined in each of the Loan Agreement) have the respective meanings therein set forth, except that for purposes of this Project Agreement, the term "the Project" means: in respect of Punjab's obligations relating to the Loan Agreement, the Punjab Component (as defined therein).

ARTICLE II

Particular Covenants

Section 2.01. (a) Punjab shall carry out the Project with due diligence and efficiency, and in conformity with sound applicable administrative, technical, financial, business, development and operational practices.

(b) In the carrying out of the Project and operation of the Project facilities, Punjab shall perform all obligations set forth in the Loan Agreement, and specifically in Schedule 5 thereto, to the extent that they are applicable to Punjab.

Section 2.02. Punjab shall make available, promptly as needed, the funds, facilities, services, equipment, land and other resources which are required, in addition to the proceeds of the Loan, for the carrying out of the Project.

Section 2.03. (a) In the carrying out of the Project, Punjab shall employ competent and qualified consultants and contractors, acceptable to ADB, to an extent and upon terms and conditions satisfactory to ADB.

(b) Except as ADB may otherwise agree, Punjab shall procure all Goods, Works, Consulting Services and other items of expenditure to be financed out of the proceeds of the Loan in accordance with the provisions of Schedule 4 to the Loan Agreement, respectively. ADB may refuse to finance a contract where such item of expenditure has not been procured under procedures substantially in accordance with those agreed between the Borrower and ADB or where the terms and conditions of the contract are not satisfactory to ADB.

Section 2.04. Punjab shall carry out the Project in accordance with plans, design standards, specifications, work schedules and construction methods acceptable to ADB. Punjab shall furnish, or cause to be furnished, to ADB, promptly after their preparation, such plans, design standards, specifications and work schedules, and any material modifications subsequently made therein, in such detail as ADB shall reasonably request.

Section 2.05. (a) Punjab shall take out and maintain with responsible insurers, or make other arrangements satisfactory to ADB for, insurance of the Project facilities to such extent and against such risks and in such amounts as shall be consistent with sound practice.

(b) Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, Punjab undertakes to insure, or cause to be insured, the Goods to be imported for the Project and to be financed out of the proceeds of the Loan against hazards incident to the acquisition, transportation and delivery thereof to the place of use or installation, and for such insurance any indemnity shall be payable in a currency freely usable to replace or repair such Goods.

Section 2.06. Punjab shall maintain, or cause to be maintained, records and accounts adequate to identify the Goods, Works, Consulting Services and other items of expenditure financed out of the proceeds of the Loan, to disclose the use thereof in the Project, to record the progress of the Project (including the cost thereof) and to reflect, in accordance with consistently maintained sound accounting principles, its operations and financial condition.

Section 2.07. (a) ADB and Punjab shall cooperate fully to ensure that the purposes of the Loan will be accomplished.

(b) Punjab shall promptly inform ADB of any condition which interferes with, or threatens to interfere with, the progress of the Project, the performance of its obligations under this Project Agreement, or the accomplishment of the purposes of the Loans.

(c) ADB and Punjab shall from time to time, at the request of either party, exchange views through their representatives with regard to any matters relating to the Project, Punjab and the Loan.

Section 2.08. (a) Punjab shall furnish to ADB all such reports and information as ADB shall reasonably request concerning (i) the Loan and the expenditure of the proceeds thereof; (ii) the Goods, Works, Consulting Services and other items of expenditure financed out of such proceeds; (iii) the Project; (iv) the administration, operations and financial condition of Punjab; and (v) any other matters relating to the purposes of the Loan.

(b) Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, Punjab shall furnish to ADB quarterly reports on the execution of the Project and on the operation and management of the Project facilities. Such reports shall be submitted in such form and in such detail and within such a period as ADB shall reasonably request, and shall indicate, among other things, progress made and problems encountered during the quarter under review, steps taken or proposed to be taken to remedy these problems, and proposed program of activities and expected progress during the following quarter.

(c) Promptly after physical completion of the Project, but in any event not later than 3 months thereafter or such later date as ADB may agree for this purpose, Punjab shall prepare and furnish to ADB a report, in such form and in such detail as ADB shall reasonably request, on the execution and initial operation of the Project, including its cost, the performance by Punjab of its obligations under this Project Agreement and the accomplishment of the purposes of the Loan.

Section 2.09. (a) Punjab shall and shall cause each Implementing Agency for the Project (i) maintain separate accounts and records for the Project; (ii) prepare annual financial statements for the Project in accordance with accounting principles acceptable to ADB; (iii) have such financial statements for the Project audited annually by independent auditors whose qualifications, experience and terms of reference are acceptable to ADB, in accordance with international standards for auditing or the national equivalent acceptable to ADB; (iv) as part of each such audit, have the auditors prepare a report (which includes the auditors' opinion on the financial statements, use of the Loan proceeds and compliance with the financial covenants of the Loan Agreement as well as on the use of the procedures for imprest fund(s) and statement of expenditures, as applicable) and a management letter (which sets out the deficiencies in the internal control of the Project that were identified in the course of the audit, if any); and (v) furnish to ADB, no later than 6 months after the close of the fiscal year to which they relate, copies of such audited financial statements, audit report and management letter, all in the English language, and such other information concerning these documents and the audit thereof as ADB shall from time to time reasonably request.

(b) ADB shall disclose the annual audited financial statements for the Project and the opinion of the auditors on the financial statements within 30 days of the date of their receipt by posting them on ADB's website.

(c) Punjab shall enable ADB, upon ADB's request, to discuss Punjab's financial statements and its financial affairs from time to time with the auditors appointed by Punjab pursuant to Section 2.09(a) hereinabove, and shall authorize and require any representative of such auditors to participate in any such discussions requested by ADB,

provided that any such discussion shall be conducted only in the presence of an authorized officer of Punjab unless Punjab shall otherwise agree.

Section 2.10. Punjab shall enable ADB's representatives to inspect the Project, the Goods and Works financed out of the proceeds of the Loan and any relevant records and documents.

Section 2.11. (a) Punjab shall, promptly as required, take all action within its powers to maintain its corporate existence, to carry on its operations, and to acquire, maintain and renew all rights, properties, powers, privileges and franchises which are necessary in the carrying out of the Project or in the conduct of its operations.

(b) Punjab shall at all times conduct its operations in accordance with sound applicable administrative, financial, business, development and operational practices, and under the supervision of competent and experienced management and personnel.

(c) Punjab shall at all times operate and maintain its plants, equipment and other property, and from time to time, promptly as needed, make all necessary repairs and renewals thereof, all in accordance with sound administrative, financial, engineering, environmental, public utility, and maintenance and operational practices.

Section 2.12. Except as ADB may otherwise agree, Punjab shall not sell, lease or otherwise dispose of any of its assets which shall be required for the efficient carrying on of its operations or the disposal of which may prejudice its ability to perform satisfactorily any of its obligations under this Project Agreement.

Section 2.13. Except as ADB may otherwise agree, Punjab shall apply the proceeds of the Loan to the financing of expenditures on the Project in accordance with the provisions of the Loan Agreement and this Project Agreement, and shall ensure that all Goods, Works, Consulting Services and other items of expenditures financed out of such proceeds are used exclusively in the carrying out of the Project.

Section 2.14. Punjab shall promptly notify ADB of any proposal to amend, suspend or repeal any provision of its constitutional documents and shall afford ADB an adequate opportunity to comment on such proposal prior to taking any action thereon.

ARTICLE III

Effective Date; Termination

Section 3.01. This Project Agreement shall come into force and effect on the date on which the Loan Agreement shall come into force and effect. ADB shall promptly notify Punjab of such date.

Section 3.02. (a) This Project Agreement and all obligations of the parties hereunder shall terminate on the date on which the Loan Agreement shall terminate in accordance with their respective terms.

(b) If the Loan Agreement terminate in accordance with their respective terms before the date specified in paragraph (a) of this Section, ADB shall promptly notify Punjab of this event.

Section 3.03. All the provisions of this Project Agreement shall continue in full force and effect notwithstanding any cancellation or suspension under the Loan Agreement.

ARTICLE IV

Miscellaneous

Section 4.01. Any notice or request required or permitted to be given or made under this Project Agreement and any agreement between the parties contemplated by this Project Agreement shall be in writing. Such notice or request shall be deemed to have been duly given or made when it shall be delivered by hand or by mail, telegram, cable, telex, facsimile or radiogram to the party to which it is required or permitted to be given or made at its address hereinafter specified, or at such other address as such party shall have designated by notice to the party giving such notice or making such request. The addresses so specified are:

For ADB

Asian Development Bank
6 ADB Avenue
Mandaluyong City
1550 Metro Manila
Philippines

Facsimile Numbers:

(632) 636-2444
(632) 636-2424

With copy to:

Asian Development Bank - Pakistan Resident Mission
Level 8, North Wing, Serena Office Complex
Khayaban-e-Suhrawardy G-5
GPO Box 1863, Islamabad
Pakistan

Facsimile Numbers:

(92-51) 208 7397-8
(92-51) 260 0365-6

For Punjab

Chairman
Planning and Development Board
Government of Punjab
Lahore, Pakistan

Facsimile Number:
(92-42) 992 1406-9.

Section 4.02. (a) Any action required or permitted to be taken, and any documents required or permitted to be executed, under this Project Agreement or under Section 7.01 of the Loan Agreement by or on behalf of Punjab may be taken or executed by its Governor or by such other person or persons as he or she shall so designate in writing notified to ADB.

(b) Punjab shall furnish to ADB sufficient evidence of the authority of each person who will act under paragraph (a) of this Section, together with the authenticated specimen signature of each such person.

Section 4.03. No delay in exercising, or omission to exercise, any right, power or remedy accruing to either party under this Project Agreement upon any default shall impair any such right, power or remedy or be construed to be a waiver thereof or an acquiescence in such default; nor shall the action of such party in respect of any default, or any acquiescence in any default, affect or impair any right, power or remedy of such party in respect of any other or subsequent default.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties hereto, acting through their representatives thereunto duly authorized, have caused this Project Agreement to be signed in their respective names and to be delivered at the principal office of ADB, as of the day and year first above written.

ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK

By


AUTHORISED REPRESENTATIVE

PROVINCE OF PUNJAB

By


AUTHORISED REPRESENTATIVE