

**INTEGRATED SAFEGUARDS DATA SHEET  
APPRAISAL STAGE**

**Report No.: ISDSA7335**

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**I. BASIC INFORMATION**

**1. Basic Project Data**

<b>Country:</b>	Pakistan	<b>Project ID:</b>	P146451
<b>Project Name:</b>	Sindh Global Partnership for Education Project (P146451)		
<b>Task Team Leader:</b>	Margo A. Hoftijzer		
<b>Estimated Appraisal Date:</b>	10-Feb-2014	<b>Estimated Board Date:</b>	30-May-2014
<b>Managing Unit:</b>	SASED	<b>Lending Instrument:</b>	Investment Project Financing
<b>Sector(s):</b>	Primary education (50%), Secondary education (25%), Public administration-Education (25%)		
<b>Theme(s):</b>	Education for all (80%), Other public sector governance (20%)		
<b>Is this project processed under OP 8.50 (Emergency Recovery) or OP 8.00 (Rapid Response to Crises and Emergencies)?</b>			No
<b>Financing (In USD Million)</b>			
Total Project Cost:	66.00	Total Bank Financing:	0.00
Financing Gap:	0.00		
<b>Financing Source</b>			<b>Amount</b>
Borrower			0.00
Education for All Supervising Entity			66.00
Total			66.00
<b>Environmental Category:</b>	C - Not Required		
<b>Is this a Repeater project?</b>	No		

**2. Project Development Objective(s)**

The Project supports the implementation of the Sindh Education Sector Support Program (SESP). The Project Development Objective is to strengthen the institutional capacity to generate, disseminate and use information to support the implementation of key reforms under SESP.

Progress towards the achievement of the PDO will be measured by the following indicators:

1. Number of districts for which monitoring data of at least 70% of schools is collected by DGME.
2. Number of districts for which monitoring data is analyzed and disseminated to ELD management and district administrators.
3. Number of Districts which submitted HRMIS reports to ELD.

### **3. Project Description**

The SESP identifies improvements in governance and service delivery, with a particular emphasis on strengthening accountability at all administrative levels of the education system as well as for teachers, as priority areas to achieve the higher level objectives of improving equitable access to and quality of education in an effective and financially sustainable manner. Consequently, the focus of SGPE interventions is to provide the underpinnings for these improvements in governance and accountability through the provision and dissemination of reliable, regularly available information, including through enhanced use of technology, across key internal and external stakeholders.

Specific areas that are proposed to be included in the project are:

1. Sindh School Monitoring System (SSMS). The SSMS will collect, analyze, and disseminate data on key school-level indicators, including student enrollment and teacher presence. To promote governance and accountability, data collection will take place on a monthly basis to allow monitoring of trends and ‘real-time’ response to identified weaknesses.
2. Human Resources Monitoring and Information System (HRMIS): The SGPE will support the design and roll-out of an automated HRMIS for ELD which will address the very substantial weaknesses currently constraining effective management of teaching and non-teaching staff. Supporting the design and roll-out of a Human Resource Management Information System (HRMIS) would allow streamlining processes for personnel-related decision making.
3. Communications: ELD will strengthen its communication and consultation activities with internal and external stakeholders to promote the design, implementation, and monitoring of key reforms under SESP. An intensified and structured approach to information dissemination and communications is expected to contribute to raising public awareness and support for the overall SESP and key reforms under SESP; promoting social accountability; and to the understanding of and support for key reforms by internal stakeholders.

S-GPE is to follow the same approach as previous Bank financed operations, i.e. comprise a large results-based component (Component 1: Systems Strengthening component) and a smaller TA component (Component 2: Program Support component). Disbursement of the results-based component will be upon achievement of agreed results and against expenditures made in agreed Eligible Expenditure Programs (EEP).

### **4. Project location and salient physical characteristics relevant to the safeguard analysis (if known)**

Project activities will be located in the Sindh province. No physical works, construction, reconstruction or rehabilitation activity is envisioned as part of the project. The project activities would be located in urban, semi-urban and rural areas of Sindh with an existing population base and residential and commercial infrastructure.

### **5. Environmental and Social Safeguards Specialists**

Fouad Muhammad Khan (SASDI)

<b>6. Safeguard Policies</b>	<b>Triggered?</b>	<b>Explanation (Optional)</b>
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Environmental Assessment OP/ BP 4.01	No	No physical works, construction, reconstruction or rehabilitation activity is envisioned as part of the Project.
Natural Habitats OP/BP 4.04	No	No physical works, construction, reconstruction or rehabilitation activity is envisioned as part of the Project.
Forests OP/BP 4.36	No	No physical works, construction, reconstruction or rehabilitation activity is envisioned as part of the Project.
Pest Management OP 4.09	No	No physical works, construction, reconstruction or rehabilitation activity is envisioned as part of the Project.
Physical Cultural Resources OP/ BP 4.11	No	No physical works, construction, reconstruction or rehabilitation activity is envisioned as part of the Project.
Indigenous Peoples OP/BP 4.10	No	Indigenous groups have not been identified in the areas to be covered by the Project.
Involuntary Resettlement OP/BP 4.12	No	No physical works, construction, reconstruction or rehabilitation activity is envisioned as part of the Project.
Safety of Dams OP/BP 4.37	No	No dams involved in project
Projects on International Waterways OP/BP 7.50	No	N/A
Projects in Disputed Areas OP/BP 7.60	No	N/A

## II. Key Safeguard Policy Issues and Their Management

### A. Summary of Key Safeguard Issues

<p><b>1. Describe any safeguard issues and impacts associated with the proposed project. Identify and describe any potential large scale, significant and/or irreversible impacts:</b></p> <p>There are no potential safeguards issues or impacts expected to arise out of project activity. No physical works, reconstruction, rehabilitation or design or analysis for such activities will be carried out under the project.</p>
<p><b>2. Describe any potential indirect and/or long term impacts due to anticipated future activities in the project area:</b></p> <p>No significant indirect or long term impacts on the environment are expected to arise from project activity in the province. The trend of rapid urbanization in project area is expected to continue in the future due to both private and public sector initiatives and activities irrespective of project interventions.</p>
<p><b>3. Describe any project alternatives (if relevant) considered to help avoid or minimize adverse impacts.</b></p> <p>Since the project is not expected to have any environmental impacts, no alternatives need to be considered specifically to minimize or avoid impacts.</p>

<b>4. Describe measures taken by the borrower to address safeguard policy issues. Provide an assessment of borrower capacity to plan and implement the measures described.</b>
As there are no expected safeguard policy issues arising from project activity, the borrower need not take additional specific measures to address safeguards policy issues on the project activities. In general, the Government of Sindh and its various extensions develop instruments and implement them to comply with both the Bank safeguard policies and local environmental legislation. The Sindh Environmental Protection agency regulates the implementation of local environmental protection laws.
<b>5. Identify the key stakeholders and describe the mechanisms for consultation and disclosure on safeguard policies, with an emphasis on potentially affected people.</b>
As there are no expected safeguard policy issues arising from project activity, there are no direct key stakeholders associated with safeguard issues, and thus no mechanisms for consultation or disclosure are required.

### ***B. Disclosure Requirements***

<b>If the project triggers the Pest Management and/or Physical Cultural Resources policies, the respective issues are to be addressed and disclosed as part of the Environmental Assessment/Audit/or EMP.</b>
<b>If in-country disclosure of any of the above documents is not expected, please explain why:</b>
N/A

### ***C. Compliance Monitoring Indicators at the Corporate Level***

<b>OP 7.60 - Projects in Disputed Areas</b>	
Has the memo conveying all pertinent information on the international aspects of the project, including the procedures to be followed, and the recommendations for dealing with the issue, been prepared	Yes [ ] No [ ] NA [ ]
Does the PAD/MOP include the standard disclaimer referred to in the OP?	Yes [ ] No [ ] NA [ ]
<b>The World Bank Policy on Disclosure of Information</b>	
Have relevant safeguard policies documents been sent to the World Bank's Infoshop?	Yes [ ] No [ ] NA [ × ]
Have relevant documents been disclosed in-country in a public place in a form and language that are understandable and accessible to project-affected groups and local NGOs?	Yes [ ] No [ ] NA [ × ]
<b>All Safeguard Policies</b>	
Have satisfactory calendar, budget and clear institutional responsibilities been prepared for the implementation of measures related to safeguard policies?	Yes [ ] No [ ] NA [ × ]
Have costs related to safeguard policy measures been included in the project cost?	Yes [ ] No [ ] NA [ × ]
Does the Monitoring and Evaluation system of the project include the monitoring of safeguard impacts and measures related to safeguard policies?	Yes [ ] No [ ] NA [ × ]

Have satisfactory implementation arrangements been agreed with the borrower and the same been adequately reflected in the project legal documents?	Yes [ <input type="checkbox"/> ] No [ <input type="checkbox"/> ] NA [ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ]
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### III. APPROVALS

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