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Project Information Document/ Integrated Safeguards Data Sheet (PID/ISDS)

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BASIC INFORMATION

A. Basic Project Data

Country Pakistan	Project ID P163562	Parent Project ID (if any)	Project Name Integrated Tourism and Enterprise Development in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Province Pakistan (P163562)
Region SOUTH ASIA	Estimated Appraisal Date Oct 10, 2017	Estimated Board Date Feb 01, 2018	Practice Area (Lead) Trade & Competitiveness
Financing Instrument Investment Project Financing	Borrower(s) Ministry of Finance, Ministry of Finance, Government of Islamic Republic of Pakistan	Implementing Agency Department of Tourism, Culture, Sports, Archeology & Youth Affairs	

Proposed Development Objective(s)

To strengthen institutional capacity, increase private sector participation, and improve destination infrastructure in support of the tourism ecosystem in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.

Financing (in USD Million)

Financing Source	Amount
International Development Association (IDA)	50.00
Total Project Cost	50.00

Environmental Assessment Category B-Partial Assessment	Concept Review Decision Track I-The review did authorize the preparation to continue
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Overview

Note that as agreed with the CD and CMU, this PCN follows agile principles. A project description may be found in the attached Slide Presentation.

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Key Results (From PCN)

- Improved public management of tourism
- Increased revenues from tourism
- Improved access to tourism destinations
- An enhanced overall tourist experience
- Tourism-related MSMEs established
- Tourism sector participants trained with relevant skills
- Efficient and effective implementation

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SAFEGUARDS

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

The proposed project activities will be implemented in the KP province and in the indicative tourist sites, for implementing the project activities, possibly including Chitral, Naran and Galliyat. These sites are famous for natural habitats like lakes, rivers, streams, glaciers, forests, mountains, valleys and habitats of important biodiversity for both residential and migratory birds, and wildlife species. During the construction of the roads, trees may be cleared and dust and noise emissions will occur due to civil works. These activities are likely to affect natural habitats and forests located along the road construction sites. Certain project interventions, such as extension of select roads, may require some land acquisition and lead to small scale resettlement with temporary impacts on livelihoods. However, the impact is expected to be low and localized. The Resettlement Action Plan(s) will be prepared for the roads to be developed (including 'Havelian-Dhamtor bypass road' and the 'Changla Gali-Makhniyal road') under the Infrastructure Connectivity component. A Resettlement Policy Framework (RPF) will be prepared for the other components once the pilot sites have been finalized.

The project may work in or around physical cultural resource (PCR) sites. The baseline information regarding Mansehra



and Abbottabad districts, where the works and most other interventions are proposed, indicates the presence of cultural heritage sites at various locations (for example, Gandhara era structures; British colonial era buildings etc.). However, any impact on PCRs due to project interventions will be determined during project preparation when exact locations have been identified. The project is likely to also work in the Chitral district which is home to the Kalash (indigenous people).

B. Borrower’s Institutional Capacity for Safeguard Policies

The Department of Tourism, Archaeology, Culture, Sports and Youth Affairs (DoT), Government of KP, will be the main implementing agency for the project. The Infrastructure Connectivity component will be implemented by the KP’s Communication and Works Department (C&W). The Wildlife and Forest Department (KP) is managing the tourism sites in KP’s districts. The DoT and other relevant departments will require capacity enhancement to undertake the implementation and supervision of environmental protection and social safeguards activities. The Environmental and Social Management Framework (ESMF), RPF and Indigenous Peoples Policy Framework (IPPF) will provide the necessary guidance on building the desired institutional capacity. The ESMF will provide an assessment on the institutional capacity of implementing agencies and identify measures to address capacity gaps such as training and hiring of the designated staff. The project will provide technical support to relevant stakeholders as and when required.

C. Environmental and Social Safeguards Specialists on the Team

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D. Policies that might apply

Safeguard Policies	Triggered?	Explanation (Optional)
Environmental Assessment OP/BP 4.01	Yes	The overall project is environmentally beneficial. This OP is triggered due to the project activities, under the Connectivity Infrastructure component, including road construction. However, the adverse environmental impacts are expected to be of temporary and localized, for example, air and noise pollution, road side tree cutting, labor camp management, traffic congestion, construction material handling and management at the construction sites. Moreover, under the component of sustainable tourism, borrower will develop the waste management plan at the destination sites. In this case environmental issues related to on-site waste treatment, and construction of solid waste landfill sites at the destination sites need to be stringently mitigated and managed within the context of the project. The project is categorized as an Environmental Safeguard Category B. The borrower will carry out the environmental assessment using a framework approach. This will outline the adverse environmental impacts together with the possible mitigation measures. The framework will



		<p>prescribe the procedure for screening of the environment and social impacts at sub-project prior to implement, detailed management, monitoring and supervision activities, and identify the respective stakeholders and role players. The ESMF will provide guidelines for the site specific environmental management plans which will be developed during the project implementation. Beside, that if the sites for the road construction will finalized at appraisal stage then site specific ESMPs have to be prepared prior to appraisal. The ESMF will be prepared and disclosed by the borrower and the Bank to meet the project appraisal requirements. In addition, if the project envisage the implementation of solid waste management plan, then the landfill site management plan would be prepared by the client during the project implementation.</p> <p>The screening measures for the PCR identification will be included in the ESMF. A Cultural Resource Management Plan (CRMP) will be prepared, if required, and will include the mitigation measures to address the project impact.</p>
Natural Habitats OP/BP 4.04	Yes	No significant conversion or degradation of critical natural habitat is expected, however, this OP is triggered because the project activities will directly or indirectly benefiting the natural habitats, including Lake Saiful Muluk (Naran) and Chitral Gol National park (Chitral). Both are designated National Parks. Further the road construction activity does not involve any habitat destruction because civil works will be for the already existing, incomplete or extension of roads, including the non-metaled/dirt tracks. The proposed project will include measures to develop the capacity of institutions at the local level for effective environmental planning and management of natural habitats in the destination action plan.
Forests OP/BP 4.36	Yes	This OP is triggered because the forest wood is utilized by the local communities both for domestic use (fuel wood) and for commercial use. The proposed project will develop an alternate livelihood plan to minimize the cutting pressure on forest.
Pest Management OP 4.09	No	This policy is not triggered because the project activities will not involve any use of pesticides and herbicides.
Physical Cultural Resources OP/BP 4.11	Yes	Certain project interventions (e.g. development or

		restoration of cultural and historic destination sites) may focus on or work in the vicinity of PCR. No impact to PCRs is foreseen due to road construction. As mentioned above, Screening measures for PCR identification will be included in the ESMF and CRMPs will be prepared, if required, and include mitigation measures to address project impact.
Indigenous Peoples OP/BP 4.10	Yes	The project plans interventions in Chitral district, which is home to the Kalash tribe (recognized as IP). An IPPF will be prepared/updated, consulted upon, and disclosed publicly on the client's website (in-country) and by the Bank prior to appraisal.
Involuntary Resettlement OP/BP 4.12	Yes	Certain project interventions (for example, construction and extension of roads; improvement and development of tourism site facilities and infrastructure etc.) may require acquisition of land leading to resettlement and temporary loss of livelihood. However, these impacts are not expected to be on a large scale. An RPF and Resettlement Action Plan (RAP) for the roads will be prepared and consulted upon, prior to their in-country public disclosure by the client (on the website) and the Bank.
Safety of Dams OP/BP 4.37	No	This policy is not triggered because the proposed project does not involve the construction of dams.
Projects on International Waterways OP/BP 7.50	No	This policy is not triggered as the project activities do not include any international waterways.
Projects in Disputed Areas OP/BP 7.60	No	The project activities are not located in any disputed and conflict areas therefore, this policy is not triggered.

E. Safeguard Preparation Plan

Tentative target date for preparing the Appraisal Stage PID/ISDS

Nov 30, 2017

Time frame for launching and completing the safeguard-related studies that may be needed. The specific studies and their timing should be specified in the Appraisal Stage PID/ISDS

- An Environmental and Social Management Framework (ESMF) and Environmental and Social Management Plans (ESMPs; for specific sites) will be prepared outlining the potential impacts, due to project interventions, and their mitigation plans. The ESMF will be prepared by October 2017.
- A Physical Cultural Resource Management Framework (PCRMF) will be prepared and completed by October 2017, and will include screening for sites and management procedures for such cases. Cultural Resource Management Plans, where required, will be prepared for exact locations and provide mitigation measures to address project impacts.
- A Resettlement Policy Framework (RPF) will be prepared to provide guidelines for project interventions that may



require land acquisition which may lead to resettlement and impact on livelihood. RPF will be completed by October 2017. Resettlement Action Plans (RAPs), where required, will be prepared for existing sites where project interventions will take place.

- Ingenious Peoples Planning Framework (IPPF) will be prepared or updated by October 2017. IPPs (Indigenous Peoples Plans), where required, will be prepared for sub-project sites which include/affect IPs.

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