

INDUS CONSORTIUM

For Humanitarian, Environmental & Development Initiatives

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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Between

Indus Consortium, Islamabad

And

Public Health Engineering Division

This "Memorandum of understanding (MoU)" is being signed between **Indus Consortium** (Party-1) and Public Health Engineering Division (Party-II) to Jointly carry out various activities in order to achieve objective of the project titled "Enhancing Water and Sanitation Governance, Access in 02 Union Councils of District Badin, Sindh" Funded by USAID and being implemented by Indus Consortium. The objective of this MoU is to make Joint Efforts to increase knowledge of youth regarding Water and Sanitation Issues in Sindh and in particular the project target area of two union councils of District Badin and make a tangible change in boosting efforts for policy makers to solve the major issues of Water and Sanitation by youth agents of university by playing theaters and course designed and being studied at university level.

CONSIDERING THAT:

Indus consortium: a collaborative Platform of 3 humanitarian and development organizations i.e. Laar Humanitarian Development Program (LHDP), Doaba Foundation and HELP Foundation- is a manifestation of a Joint force of the people living around Sindhu (Indus) river basin in Pakistan. The consortium represents the unity among various groups of different ethnic, linguistic and geographic feature and their resolve to struggle for the development of the people around Indus river basin whose forefather, in the ancient ages, had developed one of the most prosperous civilization around the globe; remembered in history as Indus civilization. Indus consortium envision a democratic and equitable society where all citizen enjoy equal economic, cultural and political right and works for local communities to enhance their resilience and participation in development .

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Public Health Engineering Department has been designing, planning & executing water supply & drainage schemes in urban & rural areas; excluding Karachi and Hyderabad cities.

SCOPE & FUNCTION: Over the years, O&M function of rural based schemes kept on shifting from one agency to another and finally SLGO 2001 stipulated O&M of all schemes to respective TMA. Presently urban based schemes are operated and maintained by concerned Local Councils whereas completed Rural W/S and Drainage Schemes are being looked-after by PHED. PHED had been a part of Local Government Department and was given an independent status, having its own Minister & a Secretariat in 2008; but in 2013, the department was again merged in Local Government Department. As of recent, PHED and RDD have been separated from Local Govt. under a separate Ministry.

MONITORING, EVALUATION AND ACCOUNTABILITY MECHANISM

To Keep Watch over the Financial as well as Field activities internal audit and inspection is carried out at top and middle formation tears of the Department. Further, Third party Audit, Monitoring and inspection is also a regular practice conducted by Auditor General Sindh, Monitoring and Evaluation Cell (MEC) P&D Dept Government of Sindh and Chief Minister

Both the parties are agreed as following:

Roles of Party-1 (Indus Consortium)

Indus Consortium, Badin will be responsible:

- To develop the coordination and communication mechanism with Public Health Engineering Division
- Organizing community through forming 20 Village Development Organizations(VDOs) and 04 Lane Organizations(LOs)
- Conduct 04-day residential training exercise for VDOs/LOs members and Government officials
- All the logging & boarding will be borne by Indus Consortium
- Holding Bi-annual Citizen Assemblies in two union councils Seerani & Kadhan.
- Development of Village/Town Development Plan and analysis of annual district budget on WASH
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Roles of Party-II (Sindh Agricultural University Tando Jam)

Under the said initiative, IC plans to sensitize communities in water resources management through a focus on health and hygiene, WASH, youth engagement, formation of farmer organizations etc.

In order to accomplish the said objectives, activities that require support from Public Health Engineering Division (PHED) include but are not limited to the following:

- Nominate their focal point for coordination at local level;
- Nominate Focal Person to attend Opening Ceremony at Local Level.
- Nominate 04 local/ district level officials for training conducted by Indus Consortium;
- Participate in all Biannual citizen assemblies;
- Participate in all field level community mobilization and coordination meetings with other stakeholders;
- Assist in providing relevant documentation/information regarding local development budget; and
- Participate in one day joint planning workshop to discuss local issues.
- Assist farmer organizations develop budget proposals on WASH schemes;

COORDINATION MECHANISM:

Coordinators/Focal Points:

Both the Parties will designate Individual as an appropriate representative to coordinate joint activities as mutually determined (given below). The Coordination of the respective party will serve as the key persons for discussion and implementation of each joint activity. In the process of execution/implementation of the activities, timely communication and consultation will be done by both of the parties.

Mr. Fayaz Ali Abbas

(Indus Consortium, Badin)

Mr. Iqbal Ahmed Chandio

(Sub Engineer Public Health Engineering)

The information within the framework of the present agreement will be common to both partner and will use as per their need. Information will be public and made available to the community/ general public with mutual consensus.

Amendments

Should there be mutual interest of any other areas of collaboration between the partners, this agreement can be amended according to mutual written consent. Additions to this MoU for the purpose of renewing and updating it may be made by mutual consent exchange of letters. Such amendments will come into force on the date it is signed by the two partners.

Duration and Termination

The present MoU shall enter into force from the date of signature by the partners and will terminate on September 15, 2017 unless sooner terminated as provided by either partner, with justified cause, upon three months prior written notice. The renewal must be agreed in written by both partners.

Settlements of Disputes

Any dispute arising between the partners concerning the interpretation and application of the present MoU shall be settled mutually and amicably through negotiation between the partners.

Signed by the duly authorized representatives of the partners in two originals, on the dates indicated - below:

Acceptance

We agree to the terms and condition of this MoU set out above.

Party-I

Signature

Name: Mr. Iqbal Haider

Designation: National Coordinator, Indus Consortium

Party-II

Signature

Name: Shuail Ahmed Memon

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EXECUTIVE ENGINEER
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