

INDUS CONSORTIUM

For Humanitarian, Environmental & Development Initiatives

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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Between

Indus Consortium, Islamabad

And

Sindh Irrigation and Drainage Authority(SIDA)

This "Memorandum of understanding (MoU)" is being signed between **Indus Consortium**(Party-I) and Sindh Irrigation & Drainage Authority (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 .



HELP



Sindh Irrigation & Drainage Authority

The Sindh Irrigation and Drainage Authority (SIDA) is an autonomous organization, taking over the Sindh irrigation and drainage system from the Sindh Irrigation and Power Department. It was established in 1997, an innovative act to devolve power in the water sector.

The SIDA is an organization playing an outstanding role in a major transition process in the irrigation and drainage sector of Sindh. At present, SIDA has its headquarter at Left Bank, Barrage Colony, Hyderabad, Sindh Pakistan.

SIDA'S VISION

SIDA is committed to promote sustainable development and improved quality of life in Sindh, through integrated water management & participatory irrigating system.

SIDA'S MISSION

The mission is to provide for the establishment on long term, sustainable and participatory basis, of public system for the distribution and delivery of irrigation water, the removal of drainage water and management of flood waters, which are transparent, accountable, efficient and operating to standards agreed with and acceptable to users, its clients, communities and stakeholders. SIDA will ensure equitable distribution of irrigation water will improve water management in Sindh and will act as a prime agent of change management.

Both the parties are agreed as following:

Roles of Party-I (Indus Consortium)

Indus Consortium, Badin will be responsible:

- To develop the coordination and communication mechanism with Sindh Irrigation and Drainage Authority at head office and local level
- 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 lodging & boarding of the trainees 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
- Conducting 48 Health & Hygiene Sessions for 1200 (approx.) participants
- Celebrating world Water Day & World Toilet Days.
- Sensitization through theater performance by youth agents of Agriculture University.

Roles of Party-II (irrigation Department Badin)

Under the said initiative, Indus Consortium Plans to sensitize communities in water resource management, health & hygiene, WASH, youth engagement, formation of farmer organization etc.;

In order to accomplish the said objectives, activities, that require support from Sindh Irrigation & Drainage Authority include but are not limited to the following:

- Nominate one focal person for effective coordination at local level;
- Nominate 04 officials for Training Conducted by Indus Consortium. The two nominations will be from SIDA Office Badin and two from HO;
- Participation in All Bi Annuals Citizen Assemblies.
- Participate in all field level community mobilizations and Coordination meeting with other stakeholders.
- Assist in providing relevant documentation/information regarding local development budget
- Participate in one day joint planning workshop to discuss local issues
- Technical support and input in project activities

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. Iqbal Haider

(Indus Consortium, Badin)

Mr. _____

(Sind Irrigation and Drainage Authority District Badin)

For the purpose of this MoU, usual communications will be made through e-mail/internet and meetings between the points of contacts shall be held, as deemed necessary.

Information usage

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

Amendments

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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. HussainBakshJarwar

Designation: National Coordinator , Indus Consortium

Party-II

Signature

Name:

Director Sindh Irrigation & Drainage Authority