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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

ADB	:	Asian Development Bank
AH	:	affected household
AIIB	:	Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank
AP	:	affected person
BHPP	:	Balakot Hydropower Project
C&W	:	Communication and Works Department
DC	:	Deputy Commissioner
EMC	:	External Monitoring Consultant
GAP	:	Gender Action Plan
GRC	:	Grievance Redress Committee
GRM	:	Grievance Redress Mechanism
IMR	:	internal monitoring report
IVS	:	independent valuation study
km	:	kilometer
LAA	:	Land Acquisition Act
LAC	:	land acquisition collector
LAR	:	land acquisition and resettlement
LARP	:	Land Acquisition Resettlement Plan
LRP	:	Livelihood Restoration Plan
mw	:	megawatt
NGO	:	nongovernment organization
PEDO	:	Pakhtunkhwa Energy Development Organization
PIU	:	Project Implementation Unit
PMC	:	Project Management Consultants
SASMR	:	Semiannual Social Monitoring Report
SPS	:	Safeguard Policy Statement

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DEFINITION OF TERMS

Displaced Household	All members of a subproject affected household residing under one roof and operating as a single economic unit, who are adversely affected by the Project or any of its components; may consist of a single nuclear family or an extended family group.
Displaced Persons	In the context of involuntary resettlement, displaced persons are those who are physically displaced (relocation, loss of residential land, or loss of shelter) and/or economically displaced (loss of land, assets, access to assets, income sources, or means of livelihoods) as a result of (i) involuntary acquisition of land, or (ii) involuntary restrictions on land use or on access to legally designated parks and protected areas. However, in the context of this LARP, the Affected Persons (AP) and Displaced Persons (DPs) are different. APs are those corresponding to all persons belonging to affected households (AH) directly using affected land/facility (owner or unregistered user), while DPs (or DP households) are referred to all landowners and those shareholders found on land records (as co-shareholders/owners), if any, and eligible for land compensation for BOR purposes.
Affected Household	A household with all its members living under one roof and operating as a single economic unit, who are the primary users of the project-affected land/facility. A household may consist of a single nuclear family or an extended family group. Extended family groups are counted as one economic unit if they share roof and meals and have one family budget. If these conditions are not met, the number of households will then be calculated to meet the definition of one economic unit.
Compensation	Payment in cash or in kind of the replacement cost of the acquired assets.
Cut-of-Date	The completion date of the census of project-displaced persons is usually considered the cut-off date. A cut-off date is normally established by the borrower government procedure that establishes the eligibility for receiving compensation and resettlement assistance by the project displaced persons. In the absence of such procedures, the borrower/client will establish a cut-off date for eligibility.
Encroachers	People who have trespassed onto private/community land to which they are not authorized. If such people arrive before the entitlements cut-off date, they are eligible for compensation for any structures, crops or land improvements that they will lose.
Entitlement	Range of measures comprising compensation, income restoration, transfer assistance, income substitution, and relocation, which are due to displaced persons, depending on the nature of their losses, to restore their economic and social base.
Economic Displacement	Loss of land, assets, access to assets, income sources, or means of livelihood because of (i) involuntary acquisition of land, or (ii) involuntary restrictions on land use or on access to legally designated parks and protected areas.
Involuntary Resettlement	Land and/or asset loss, which results in a reduction of livelihood level. These losses have to be compensated for so that no person is worse off than they were before the loss of land and/or assets.
Meaningful Consultation	Is a process that (i) begins early in the project preparation stage and is carried out on an ongoing basis throughout the project cycle; (ii) provides timely disclosure of relevant and adequate information that is understandable and readily accessible to affected people; (iii) is undertaken in an atmosphere free of intimidation or coercion; (iv) gender inclusive and responsive, and tailored to the needs of disadvantaged and vulnerable groups; and (v) enables the incorporation of all relevant views of affected people and other stakeholders into decision making, such as project design, mitigation measures, the sharing of development benefits and opportunities, and implementation issues.
Physical	Meaning relocation, loss of residential land, or loss of shelter a result of (i)

Displacement	involuntary acquisition of land, or (ii) involuntary restrictions or land use or on access to legally designated parks and protected areas.
Rehabilitation	Compensatory measures provided under the ADB Policy Framework on Involuntary Resettlement other than payment of the replacement cost of acquired assets.
Replacement Cost	The rate of compensation for acquired housing, land and other assets will be calculated at full replacement costs. The calculation of full replacement cost will be based on the following elements: (i) fair market value; (ii) transaction costs; (iii) interest accrued, (iv) transitional and restoration costs; and (v) other applicable payments, if any. In applying this method of valuation, depreciation of structures and assets should not be considered.

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Executive Summary

1. **Project Description:** The Pakhtunkhwa Energy Development Organization (PEDO) constructing a 300-Megawatt (MW) run-of-river hydropower plant “Balakot Hydropower Development Project” (hereinafter called the “Project”) with allied infrastructure at Balakot, district Mansehra of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (KPK), Pakistan. The Project site is a run-of-river type located on the Kunhar River about 18.6 km upstream from the town of Balakot (12 km stretch from village Paras to village Sangar) in the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (KP) province of Pakistan. The potential hydel power available in this stretch of the river will be utilized for the Project. All components of the Project are located on the left bank of the Kunhar River. The dam site is about 29 KM upstream of the town of Balakot. The powerhouse is located 8 km upstream of Balakot, near Kappi Gali Village. The project is financed by the Asian Development Bank (ADB) with co-financing of the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB).

2. **External Semiannual Social Monitoring Report (SSMR):** This is the 7th external SSMR prepared by the External Monitoring Consultant (EMC) for the Pakhtunkhwa Energy Development Organization (PEDO). The purpose of this report is to validate the implementation of 2 sectional Land Acquisition and Resettlement Plans (LARPs): sectional LARP-1 of village Ghanool and Sangar and the sectional LARP-2 of village Bela Sacha and Paras and the “Addendum LARP for additional land and additional allowances” covering an implementation period from July to December 2024. The EMC validated implementation progress based on the PIUs internal SSMR of July - December 2024 and site visits by EMC, public consultations and 100% verification of compensation disbursement data as of December 2024.

3. **Monitoring Methodology:** In order to maintain independence, objectiveness, fairness and neutrality during the monitoring process, the EMC reviewed the project related documents including the PIU’s internal monitoring and progress reports, conducted site visits and held public consultations with stakeholders including the DPs and 100% verification of payments (payment of compensation and allowances to DPs and the efforts PIU is making to resolve the payment cases that are impeded due to legal and administrative reasons). The other key aspects of LARP and implementation reviewed and analyzed included the adequacy of institutional arrangement and capacity for LARP implementation and monitoring, timely availability of adequate budget for payment to DPs as per their entitlements, public consultations and effectiveness of grievance redress mechanism in addressing the DPs concerns and complaints and overall compliance of safeguard requirements of loan.

4. The EMC conducted face-to-face discussions with 23 DPs in the four affected villages. Since the DPs are not available due to their routine work/business activities in other cities, they remain busy in daytime and available in the evening hence 166 DPs from 4 villages were contacted telephonically, as agreed with PIU. In this way, interviews were conducted for 7th external SSMR with 5% of the total DPs, specifically 189 DPs out of a total 3,695 DPs, from 4 Mouzas. Of the 189 DPs contacted/consulted during the reporting period, 121 received complete payments as per approved sectional LARPs, 68 DPs have their payments delayed due to multiple reasons including legal and administrative impediments such as inheritance mutations and family disputes with cases filed in the courts of law.

5. **Sectional LARPs:** The land acquisition and resettlement (LAR) impacts of the project in 4 affected villages have been divided into two sectional LARPs; The first sectional LARP covering the villages of Ghanool and Sangar was approved by ADB on July 27, 2022, while

the second sectional LARP covering the villages of Bela Sacha and Paras obtained ADB's approval on November 29, 2022. In summary, for both the sections, the PIU acquired a total of 226.42 acres of land in August 2022.

6. **Overall, LAR Impacts of both Sectional LARPs:** A total of 226.42 acres of land owned by 3,557 landowners has been acquired. This acquisition has affected a grand total of 14,558 trees including 2,324 fruit trees which are owned by 3,348 affected households (AHs) and a total of 436 private structures owned by 438 AHs (source: Communication and Works Department) including the 2 partially affected graveyards.

7. In addition to the above LAR impacts, the number of actual AHs of land (3,557 AHs) has increased by another 138 AHs (now totaling $3,557+138=3695$) due to inheritance mutations of the deceased landowners and inclusion of the names of their legal heirs' (as additional DPs). However, the multiple count of AHs is 7976 (counting an individual AH multiple times based on the types of impacts/assets affected the AH owned). The break down of multiple AHs (by types of impacts) is as follows; Land - total AHs including additional AHs is 3,695; Trees - total AHs 3,509 including 161 AHs added due to inheritance mutation; Building structures - 438 AHs; Allowances: total AHs 325. The number of AHs of structures remained unchanged. Details regarding the impacts under each sectional LARP are provided below.

8. **LAR Impacts as per approved 1st sectional LARP:** The first sectional LARP led to the acquisition of a total of 106.05 acres of land which is owned by 1,791 AHs. Likewise, a total of 3,045 timber trees have been affected, owned by 1,725 AHs along with 876 affected fruit trees owned by 48 AHs. Moreover, there has been an impact on 46 private built-up properties owned by 40 Displaced Persons (DPs), of which only 25 DPs have undergone physical relocation. Additionally, one communal built-up property has been affected. The number of land AHs has increased from 1,791 AHs to 1874 AHs due to inheritance mutations (83 AHs without double counting), as they have been included as legal heirs. Similarly, the number of AHs of trees also increased from 1,773 AHs to 1862 AHs due to the same inheritance mutation reason. There was no change in the number of affected trees, but 83 AHs added due to mutation inheritance.

9. **LAR Impacts as per approved 2nd sectional LARP:** The 2nd sectional LARP of villages Bela Sacha and Paras has a total of 120.37 acres of land (owned by 1,766 AHs) acquired for the project. Similarly, a total of 9,189 affected timber trees owned by 1,457 AHs, along with 1,448 affected fruit trees owned by 118 AHs. Additionally, the affected private (residential and commercial) 477 number of built-up properties owned by 398 AHs including 196 AHs are physically relocated and two (2) communal built-up-properties (masjid), two (2) communal graveyard and five (5) public/ government built-up properties are affected in Mouza of Bela Sacha and Paras. The number of AHs has increased to 55 AHs due to inheritance mutation (without double counting) and have been added as legal heirs thus bringing the total number of lands affected 1,821 AHs. Similarly, 72 AHs added as the tree affected households making the total number of trees AHs as 1647 AHs. The impact remains the same due to inheritance mutation and only changes happened in term of increase in the number of the AHs.

10. **Livelihood Restoration Plan (LRP):** Under Output 4 of the project's Design and Monitoring Framework, the LRP is intended to enhance the economic resilience of Displaced Persons (DPs) through targeted skills development and income-generation support. Facilitated by the consultant NGO, the LRP includes proposed training in agriculture production, livestock rearing, beekeeping, fish farming, and establishing linkages with microfinance institutions. These initiatives are tailored to the local context, with a particular focus on unemployed youth and women, aiming to restore and strengthen affected livelihoods. The consultant NGO has

been mobilized since September 7, 2023, in the project-affected areas. The draft LRP has been submitted to ADB, which has since provided comments for revision. The LRP is currently under revision, but no timeline has yet been provided by the NGO for the submission of the updated version. The NGO is also expected to conduct an additional round of consultations and a livelihood assessment to upgrade the LRP to an implementation-ready level and subsequently implement it. It is recommended that PIU must follow up closely with the NGO to ensure timely finalization and implementation of the LRP. The progress on the LRP revision be reported in the next Semi-Annual Social Monitoring Report, scheduled for submission in July 2025.

12. **Addendum LARP for Additional Land and Additional Allowances:** The PIU acquired additional 15.4 kanals (approximately 1.925 acres) of privately owned land located at the right-side abutment of the dam in Mouza Bela Sacha, required for slope stabilization works. The associated impacts and the corresponding compensation measures fully aligned with the entitlements defined in the approved LARP are comprehensively detailed in the Addendum LARP of Section 2, which received approval from the ADB on August 13, 2024. This additional land is owned by 91 DPs with a total compensation amount of PKR 0.0922 million for land acquisition. Further LAR-related impacts include:

- 380 wood trees, also owned by the same 91 DPs, with compensation valued at PKR 0.7705 million
- 7 fruit trees belonging to 1 DP, valued at PKR 0.1619 million
- 5 affected structures owned by 1 DP, with compensation assessed at PKR 11.061 million

13. **Status of Payment for additional land and allowances:** Of the total PKR 0.0922 million in land compensation payable to 91 DPs in Mouza Bela Sacha, an amount of PKR 0.009 million has been disbursed to 1 DP to date. Regarding fruit tree compensation, the full payable amount of PKR 0.1619 million has been disbursed to the sole eligible DP (1 out of 1, representing 100% disbursement). Similarly, compensation for five affected built-up structures totaling PKR 11.061 million has been fully paid to 1 DP (100% of the total eligible amount). All these payments fall under the scope of Section 2 of the LARP Addendum and relate to the acquisition of additional land for the Balakot Hydro Power Project (BHPP) in Mouza Bela Sacha. Furthermore, under the approved Addendum of the 2nd Sectional LARP, 67 out of 285 DPs (23.51%) have been paid their additional or previously omitted admissible allowances, amounting to PKR 87.15 million which represents 67.86% of the total payable amount of PKR 128.43 million. The remaining unpaid DPs are those whose payments are currently impeded due to ongoing legal and administrative constraints.

14. **Overall Status of Compensation Disbursement of Both Sectional LARPs:** Table ES-1 (below) provides a summary of the overall status of compensation disbursement, showing that 88% of the total compensation amount has been disbursed to the DPs. This represents a 2% increase compared to the previous reporting period (January–June 2024). In terms of category-wise disbursement:

- **Land compensation** increased from Rs. 329.33 million in the previous period to Rs. 373.05 million, reflecting a 10% increase in disbursement (from 58% to 68%). Similarly, the number of DPs who received land compensation increased by 10% (from 39% to 49%).

- **Tree compensation** saw a 4% increase in the disbursed amount (from 83% to 87%), which corresponds with a 7% increase in the number of DPs receiving payments (from 33% to 40%).
- **Structure compensation** has been fully disbursed, maintaining 100% disbursement to eligible DPs as reported in the previous period.
- **Allowance payments** also improved, with 3% increase in disbursed amounts (from 96% to 99%) and a 7% rise in the number of DPs receiving payments (reaching 86%).

Table ES -1: Comparing Payments to DPs with Previous Reporting Period

Impact Category	Total DPs and Payable Payment				Progress During Reporting Period of (January – June 2024)				Progress During Reporting Period (July – December 2024)			
	Payable Payment (PKR in Millions)	DPs as approved LARPs	*Additional DPs	Total DPs	Paid Amount (Million)	Unpaid Amount (Million)	Paid DPs	Unpaid DPs	Paid Amount (Million)	Unpaid Amount (Million)	Paid DPs	Unpaid DPs
Land Compensation	567.7	3557	138	3695	329.33	238.37	1,448	2,247	373.05	194.64	1,817	1,878
Trees Compensation	81.8	3348	161	3509	67.96	13.85	1,163	2,346	71.33	10.48	1,409	2,100
Built up area*	1498.9	438	0	438	1395.8	1395.8	438	0	1395.8	1395.8	438	0
Allowances	527.8	325	0	325	500.47	27.33	258	67	522.76	5.128	279	46

* The payment of private structures has been paid 100% while the payment of Rs.103 million for the public/community assets is under process. However, the status is the same as of the beginning of the project.

15. **Compensation Disbursement as per 1st Sectional LARP:** Out of a total of 1,874 Affected Households (AHs), 1,015 AHs have received land compensation totaling PKR 113.20 million, out of the total payable amount of PKR 141.19 million. The remaining PKR 27.99 million is yet to be disbursed to 859 AHs due to legal and administrative impediments. With respect to tree compensation, the total payable amount of PKR 32.71 million is designated for 1,862 AHs. Based on the current field status, 977 AHs have received PKR 26.90 million, while PKR 5.81 million is pending for 885 AHs as a result of procedural requirements. For structure compensation, the total payable amount of PKR 72.52 million has been fully disbursed to all 40 eligible AHs, achieving 100% completion in this category. Regarding allowance payments, as per the approved LARP, 38 out of 39 AHs have received PKR 59.05 million of the total PKR 59.57 million, as of the reporting period ending December 2024. The remaining one AH, with unpaid allowances amounting to PKR 0.52 million, has not yet been compensated as they are currently residing outside the village. All payments to available and eligible AHs have been completed. Only one disbursement remains pending due to external constraints. The undisbursed compensation is securely maintained in the project treasury account to ensure prompt payment upon submission of valid claims by the concerned AH, once the associated issues are resolved.

16. **Compensation Disbursement as per 2nd Sectional LARP:** Out of a total of 1,821 Affected Households (AHs), 802 AHs have received land compensation amounting to PKR 259.85 million, out of the total payable amount of PKR 426.49 million. The remaining PKR 166.65 million is pending for 1,019 AHs, primarily due to legal and administrative impediments. Regarding tree compensation, the total payable amount is PKR 49 million, intended for 1,647 AHs. To date, 432 AHs have received PKR 44.43 million, while PKR 4.67 million remains pending for 1,215 AHs due to procedural requirements. For building structure compensation, the total payable amount of PKR 1,323.32 million has been fully disbursed to all 398 eligible DPs, achieving 100% completion in this category. In terms of allowance payments, as per the

approved 2nd Sectional LARP, 241 AHs (77%) out of 286 AHs have been paid PKR 463.17 million, which constitutes 99% of the total payable amount of PKR 468.214 million, as of December 31, 2024. The remaining 45 AHs, with outstanding allowances totaling PKR 5.044 million, have not yet received their payments as they are currently residing outside the project area. All payments to available and eligible AHs have been completed. The remaining payments are pending solely due to legal or administrative constraints. The undisbursed compensation amounts are secured in the project treasury account and will remain available indefinitely, ensuring that payments can be made promptly once the concerned DPs resolve their issues and present valid claims.

17. Compensation payments that are Impeded due to legal and administrative reasons: For the 1,878 DPs (out of 3695) whose payments (Rs. 194.64 million) are impeded due to different legal, administrative, and procedural matters/requirements are presented below in table ES-2 which apart from exhaustive efforts by PIU also present the comparative analysis of the progress of DPs whose impediments were resolved and received their payment as compared to previous reporting period. The detail is discussed as none of the progress is demonstrated in resolving the issue of DPs juvenile, and assessment of DPs of common land. It is important to note that no progress has been made regarding the compensation of common land, and the status remains unchanged since the beginning of the project. The PIU is advised to actively engage with the revenue department to facilitate the updating of the acquaintance roll. In the event of staffing constraints within the revenue department, the PIU should consider deploying its own personnel to collaborate with revenue officials, enabling the identification of the actual number of AHs and their respective land shares for compensation purposes. It is strongly recommended that the PIU report measurable progress in this matter in the next reporting period, scheduled for July 2025.

Table ES-2: Showing the payment progress of the DPs for different periods

S#	Category of Causing Delay	Previous report Data	Current Reporting Period	Difference in the number of DPs
1	Inheritance mutation issues	266	195	71
2	Meager Amount compensation	1,128	1,025	103
3	DPs out of city	317	227	90
4	Living out of village & untraceable	432	326	106
5	DPs out of Country	65	58	07
6	Title Dispute/ Court Cases	45	43	02
7	DPs Juvenile (under the age of 18)	4	4	0
8	Common land ¹	0	0	0
Total		2,257	1,878	379

¹ The number of DPs remains unknown as the revenue department has not yet concluded the assessment process for communal land.

18. **Exhaustive efforts by PIU in resolving impediments:** PIU continues to make good faith efforts in resolving all impediments (although these are beyond PIU's power and capacity to address alone) to achieve 100% compensation paid to 100% DPs of both sectional LARPs. The exhaustive efforts PIU made in this regard include the following:

- a. The safeguards team headed by the PIU's Deputy Director Social and Resettlement has maintained a close liaison with DPs and local communities in the project affected villages and disclosed LARPs related information and facilitated them in accessing requisite valid claim documents i.e., getting their land titled documents from land revenue offices, consultation and disclosure, and immediate payment of compensation.
- b. PIU provided all required templates reflected in the ADB guidance note on handling of compensation cases having legal and administrative impediment. Also, all accessible DPs were approached, and additional documents as needed have been recorded and maintained during the monitoring period by the safeguards team of PIU BHPP.
- c. The PIU/PMC regularly coordinated and requested the revenue department to facilitate DPs for recording inheritance mutation. The compensation payment could only be paid when legal heirs of deceased DPs can submit their claims with valid title after inheritance mutations of land. All the inheritance mutation cases in all mouzas have been recorded according to the ADB guidance note. The PIU must step up its efforts to offer comprehensive support to DPs including guidance on the inheritance mutation process and arranging transportation to take them to the concerned offices.
- d. To expedite the resolution of delayed payment cases, the PIU reached out to the Mansehra Deputy Commissioner (DC). The DC instructed the revenue department staff to assist DPs in the Balakot tehsil on two designated days per week for compensation disbursement. Immediate rectifications were made to the names of any DPs as outlined in the acquaintance roll. Additionally, support was provided to DPs during the voucher preparation stage, ensuring that their affected land's khasra number aligned with the details in the acquaintance roll. However, DC did not endorse the provision of open cheque or joint accounts for DPs for the payment of meager amount. Anyway, the PIU should persist in its efforts to facilitate the opening of bank accounts without the requirement of depositing Rs. 5000, thus enabling DPs with limited resources to receive their payments.
- e. The 611 unpaid DPs in affected mouzas are residing out of city/village including 58 are working abroad. The addresses and contact numbers of 611 absent DPs are gathered through village headmen/ notable (malik/ patwari) persons and their relatives in the mouza but in some cases local community lacks addresses and contact numbers of those DPs migrated since long time. All those DPs have documented through the malik/ patwari in each mouzas of project.
- f. PIU should enhance its initiatives to provide holistic support to DPs. This includes offering guidance on the inheritance mutation process, organizing pick-up and drop-off services from home to relevant offices/banks and vice versa for opening bank accounts. Additionally, the PIU ought to extend further assistance to revenue by assigning their staff to compile the list of DPs for common land and prepare acquittance rolls. Furthermore, the PIU should involve community representatives/GRC members to reach out to DPs who have relocated for business purposes in other areas.
- g. PIU has prepared the addendums based on the complaints submitted to ADB/local GRM and DC that their allowances were missing in the LARPs, and PIU investigated the matters thoroughly on the grounds and all missing allowances including 47 Chulla allowances were added in the addendums which have already been approved by ADB and are under implementation.
- h. A total of 33 consultation meetings were held in the project area during the reporting

period and a total of 331 (218 males and 113 females' participants) DPs participated in these meetings. EMC found that the participants were duly informed about the process to receive their rightful compensation and allowances from the revenue department. Moreover, extensive publicity was carried out through both print and electronic media channels, as well as announcements made in local mosques (masjids). This included the placement of banners and distribution of information brochures regarding the project in the affected areas. The women inclusiveness in the routine meetings is very essential as 1772 women are identified as DPs. From the total 1772, only 861 women have received their compensation while the payment of remaining women (911) is pending owing to the legal and administrative impediments. The proportion of payments made to females has risen to 12% compared to the previous reporting period. The PIU should persist in its efforts to assist female DPs in overcoming impediments they face to ensure 100% compensation payment completion for all DPs.

19. **Institutional Arrangement and GRM:** The institutional arrangements and grievance redress mechanisms as mentioned in the approved sectional LARP are almost fully in place and generally functioning well. The GRM has been established in entire four villages. Any DP can file any complaint with GRCs and PIU to resolve it immediately. Currently, 54 complaints have been registered, including 6 complaints registered during the reporting period, and 53 were resolved and only one complaint is pending (table 6.1). The complaint remains unresolved due to the absence of contractor representation in the Grievance Redress Committee (GRC), as reported by PIU. The PIU should immediately ensure the contractor's participation in the GRC to facilitate the resolution of this complaint.

20. **Complaints Submitted to ADB:** Three complainants directly submitted to ADB and all three have been resolved now. The detail is as, in June 2022, a single complaint was registered with ADB's Accountability Mechanism (OSPF) from the village of Sangar regarding land acquisition, valuation, and compensation. An IVS study was conducted, and a top-up will be provided to meet ADB-SPS replacement cost requirements. The complainant expressed satisfaction with the outcome of the IVS study and submitted a statement of satisfaction to the PIU, thereby considering the complaint resolved. In January 2024, two complaints were registered with ADB's Compliance Review Panel regarding missing business allowances from the village of Bela Sacha. Following thorough discussions and meetings with the complainants, conducted in accordance with ADB's guidelines, the PIU, with support from the PMC, successfully resolved the complaints. This was achieved by submitting documentary proof for the additional/missing allowances, which were reviewed under the eligibility criteria and approved. Furthermore, the complainants provided statements of satisfaction to the PIU, confirming that the issues had been resolved to their satisfaction.

21. **Disseminating IVS Findings:** The findings of the Independent Valuation Study (IVS) were formally shared with members of the Grievance Redress Committee (GRC), along with several DPs and community representatives. The meeting was attended in person by representatives from the PIU, GRC members, and local stakeholders, while an ADB representative participated virtually. The PIU confirmed that both GRC members and community participants expressed their satisfaction with the IVS results. In accordance with these findings, Addendum to the first and second sectional LARPs have been prepared to reflect the list of eligible DPs and the corresponding differential compensation amounts. Under the approved Addendum to the 1st Sectional LARP, covering Mouza Ghanool and Sangar, a total of 1,152 DPs has been identified through the IVS acquaintance roll, with a cumulative compensation amount of PKR 13.90 million for land acquisition. Additionally, 21 DPs have been confirmed as eligible for various admissible allowances, amounting to PKR 3.78 million.

Similarly, the approved Addendum to the 2nd Sectional LARP, covering Mouza Bela Sacha and Paras, identifies 1,494 DPs as per the IVS acquaintance roll, with a total compensation amount of PKR 272.46 million for the same land acquired.

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1 Introduction

1.1 Project Description

1. The Pakhtunkhwa Energy Development Organization (PEDO) constructing a 300-Megawatt (MW) run-of-river hydropower plant “Balakot Hydropower Development Project” (hereinafter called the “Project”) with allied infrastructure at Balakot, district Mansehra of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (KPK), Pakistan. The Project site is a run-of-river type located on the Kunhar River about 18.6 km upstream from the town of Balakot (12 km stretch from village Paras to village Sangar) in the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (KP) province of Pakistan. The potential hydel power available in this stretch of the river will be utilized for the Project. All components of the Project are located on the left bank of the Kunhar River. The dam site is about 29 KM upstream of the town of Balakot. The powerhouse is located 8 km upstream of Balakot, near Kappi Gali Village as shown in figure-1.1. The project is financed by the ADB with co-financing of the AIIB. PEDO has prepared two sectional LARPs and a LRP (draft) which comply with the requirements of Pakistan’s LAA and ADB’s SPS². Project’s LAR impacts have been deemed significant due to physical displacement and impacts severity encountered by those required to displace. Therefore, the project has been classified as “A” for Involuntary Resettlement as per ADB SPS and OM/F1 requirements.

2. **External Semiannual Social Monitoring Report (SASMR):** This is the seventh SASMR prepared by the External Monitoring Consultant (EMC) for the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Energy Department (PEDO). The purpose of this report is to validate the implementation of both sectional Land Acquisition and Resettlement Plans (LARPs: sectional LARP of Ghanool and Sangar and the sectional LARP of Bela Sacha and Paras) for an implementation period from July to December 2024. The EMC validated the implementation progress based on the PIUs internal SASMR of July – December 2024 and additional site visits by EMC and public consultations and 100% verification of compensation disbursement data.

3. **Sectional LARPs:** The land acquisition and resettlement (LAR) impacts of the project in 4 affected village have been divided into two sectional LARPs; The first sectional LARP covering the villages of Ghanool and Sangar (Fig 1.1) was approval by ADB on July 27, 2022, while the second sectional LARP covering the villages of Bela Sacha and Paras (Fig 1.2) obtained ADB’s approval on November 29, 2022. In summary, for both the sections, the PIU acquired a total of 226.42 acres of land in August 2022.

1.2 Overall, LAR Impacts of both Sectional LARPs

4. A total of 226.42 acres of land owned by 3,557 landowners has been acquired. This acquisition has affected a grand total of 14,558 trees including 2,324 fruit trees which are owned by 3,348 affected households (AHs) and a total of 436 private structures owned by 438 AHs (source: Communication and Works Department) including the 2 partially affected graveyards. In addition to the above LAR impacts, the number of actual AHs of land (3,557 AHs) has increased by another 138 AHs (now totaling 3,557+138=3695) due to inheritance mutations of the deceased landowners and inclusion of the names of their legal heirs' (as additional DPs). However multiple count of AHs is 7976 (counting an individual AH multiple times based on the types of impacts/assets affected the AH owned). The beak down of multiple

² As per co-financing agreement (schedule 4) between ADB and AIIB, “the Project is carried out in accordance with Co-financier’s (meaning ADB) safeguards Policies and Procedures, thus ADB’s SPS 2009 applies.

AHs (by types of impacts) is as follows; Land - total AHs including additional AHs is 3,695; Trees - total AHs 3,509 including 161 AHs added due to inheritance mutation; Building structures - 438 AHs; Allowances: total AHs 325. The number of AHs of structures remained unchanged. Details regarding the impacts under each sectional LARP are provided below;

5. **LAR Impacts as per approved 1st sectional LARP:** The first sectional LARP led to the acquisition of a total of 106.05 acres of land which is owned by 1,791 AHs. Likewise, a total of 3,045 timber trees have been affected, owned by 1,725 AHs along with 876 affected fruit trees owned by 48 AHs. Moreover, there has been an impact on 46 private built-up properties owned by 40 Displaced Persons (DPs), of which only 25 DPs have undergone physical relocation. Additionally, one communal built-up property has been affected. The number of land AHs has increased from 1,791 AHs to 1874 AHs due to inheritance mutations (83 AHs without double counting), as they have been included as legal heirs. Similarly, the number of AHs of trees also increased from 1,773 AHs to 1862 AHs due to the same inheritance mutation reason. No change in the number of affected trees but 83 AHs added due to mutation inheritance.

6. **LAR Impacts as per approved 2nd sectional LARP:** The 2nd sectional LARP of villages Bela Sacha and Paras has a total of 120.37 acres of land (owned by 1,766 AHs) acquired for the project Similarly, a total of 9,189 affected timber trees owned by 1,457 AHs, along with 1,448 affected fruit trees owned by 118 AHs. Additionally, the affected private (residential and commercial) 477 number of built-up properties owned by 398 AHs including 196 AHs are physically relocated and two (2) communal built-up-properties (masjid), two (2) communal graveyard and five (5) public/ government built-up properties are affected in Mouza of Bela Sacha and Paras. The number of AHs has increased to 55 AHs due to inheritance mutation (without double counting) and have been added as legal heirs thus bringing the total number of lands affected 1,821 AHs. Similarly, 72 AHs added as the tree affected households making the total number of trees AHs as 1647 AHs. The impact remains same due to inheritance mutation and only change happened in term of increase in the number of the AHs.

7. Category wise impacts along with detail of DPs of the project area are discussed separately in Table 1.2 – 1.3 below. However, as reported in the LARP and further confirmed by PIU, there was no identified any unregistered land users/squatters in project area (other than DP as per BOR) which have been missed out from LARP.

Table 1.1: Sectional, Mouza and Component wise Summary of Acquired Land with No. of AHs of BHP Project

Mouzas (Villages)	Component of BHPP	Acquired Land (Acres)	Total No. of Land Plots	No. of AHs of Land Affected		Unregistered AHs	Total No. of Land AHs (so far)
				As per approved LARP	Additional No. of AHs due to Inheritance Mutation (as per LARP implementation)		
Ghanool	Surge Shaft and access road to Surge Shaft	3.87	126	126	36	0	162
Sangar	Power house, access road, tailrace, staff colony and switch yard	102.18	1,665	1,665	47	0	1,712
Bela Sacha	Dam Right Side Abutment, Reservoir, Diversion/ Sediment By-Pass Tunnel and Access Road to	21.95	126	126	41	0	167

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	Diversion/ Sediment By-Pass Tunnel						
Paras	Dam Left Side Abutment, Reservoir, Intake of Headrace Tunnel and Access Road to Dam Crest	98.42	1640	1640	14	0	1654
Total		226.42	3557	3557	138	0	3695

Source: Approved IMR for July – December 2024

Table 1.2: Section and Mouza wise Summary of Affected Trees with No. of DPs

Section	Mouza (Village)	Category of Trees	No. of DPs of Trees Affected			Total No. of Trees Affected
			No. of DPs as Per Approved LARP	Additional DPs of inheritance Mutation	Total No. of DPs as per Approved LARP + Inheritance Mutation)	
1	Ghanool	Timber Tree	100	36	136	192
		Fruit Trees	48	5	53	876
	Sangar	Timber Tree	1,625	48	1,673	2,853
2	Bela Sacha	Fruit Trees	13	0	13	319
		Timber Tree	125	72	197	5,357
	Paras	Fruit Trees	105	0	105	1,129
		Timber Tree	1,332	0	1,332	3,832
Grand Total			3,348	161	3,509	14,558

Table 1.3: Section and Mouza wise Summary of Built-up Property along with No. of DPs

Section	Mouza (Village)	Built-up Property Category	Types & No. of Built-up Properties					Total DPs
			Residential	Commercial	Communal (Masjid)	Communal (Graveyard)	Public	
1	Sangar	Private (Individual)	25	1	0	0	0	40
		Private (Communal)	0	0	1	0	0	0
2	Bela Sacha	Private (Individual)	29	3	0	0	0	32
	Paras	Private (Individual)	366	12	0	0	0	366
		Private (Communal)	0	0	2	2		0
		Public	0	0	0	0	5	0
Grand Total			420	16	3	2	5	438

8. **Temporary Land Acquisition:** About 17.089 acres of land is required for the temporary camps and access roads as per approved 1st sectional LARP. Similarly, about 20

acres of land is required for the temporary camps and access roads as per approved 2nd sectional LARP. As per field situation, the contractors have acquired the same quantity of land as reported by PMC and confirmed by PIU and validated by EMC.

1.3 Livelihood Restoration Plan

9. Under Output 4 of the project's Design and Monitoring Framework, the LRP is intended to enhance the economic resilience of Displaced Persons (DPs) through targeted skills development and income-generation support. Facilitated by the consultant NGO, the LRP includes proposed training in agriculture production, livestock rearing, beekeeping, fish farming, and establishing linkages with microfinance institutions. These initiatives are tailored to the local context, with a particular focus on unemployed youth and women, aiming to restore and strengthen affected livelihoods. The consultant NGO has been mobilized since September 7, 2023, in the project-affected areas. The draft LRP has been submitted to ADB, which has since provided comments for revision. The LRP is currently under revision, but no timeline has yet been provided by the NGO for the submission of the updated version. The NGO is also expected to conduct an additional round of consultations and a livelihood assessment to upgrade the LRP to an implementation-ready level and subsequently implement it. It is recommended that PIU must follow up closely with the NGO to ensure timely finalization and implementation of the LRP. The progress on the LRP revision be reported in the next Semi-Annual Social Monitoring Report, scheduled for submission in July 2025.

10. **Resettlement Budget:** As per LARP, the LAR cost of the project is Rs. 1246.19 million, i.e., Rs. 571.69 million for land compensation, tree compensation is Rs. 81.81 million, structure compensation is Rs. 64.81 million and 527.88 million is for the allowances. As per PIU, the entire LAR budget for the project has been transferred into district treasury as land award is evident of funds transfer in the district treasury for compensation disbursement to DPs through the land acquisition Collector.

11. As per LRP, a total of US\$700,000 (Rs.154,000,000) is allocated for the NGO to implement the livelihood activities. Out of total, Rs. 30,000,000 for Agriculture techniques, livestock rearing and adopting modern techniques for development of forest, Rs. 5,000,000 for setting up of two vocational Centers for women one each at (Sangar and Paras) and Rs.36,000,000 for overall skill development Trainings. PIU has already arranged the LRP budget.

Figure 1: Balakot Hydropower Project

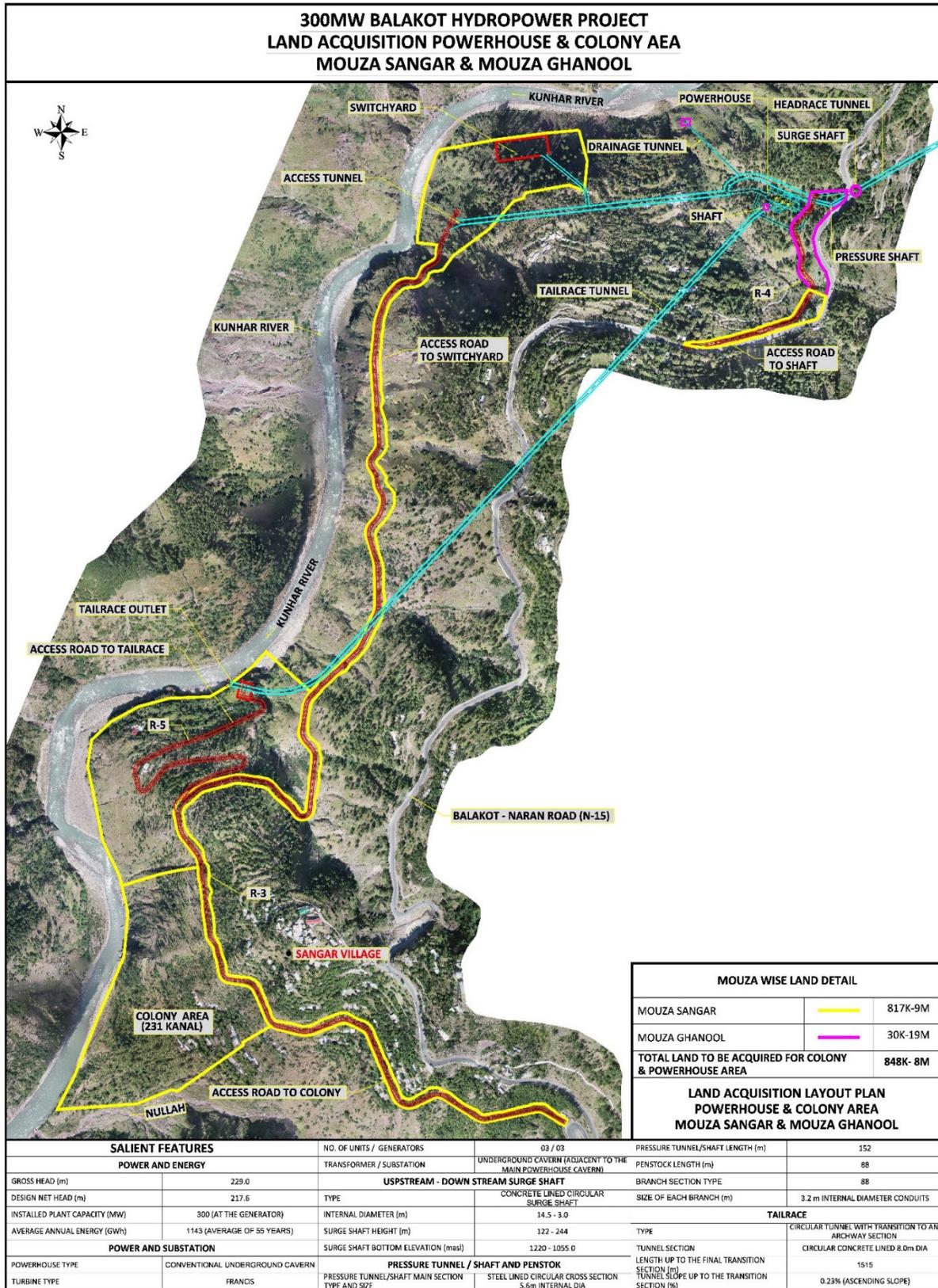
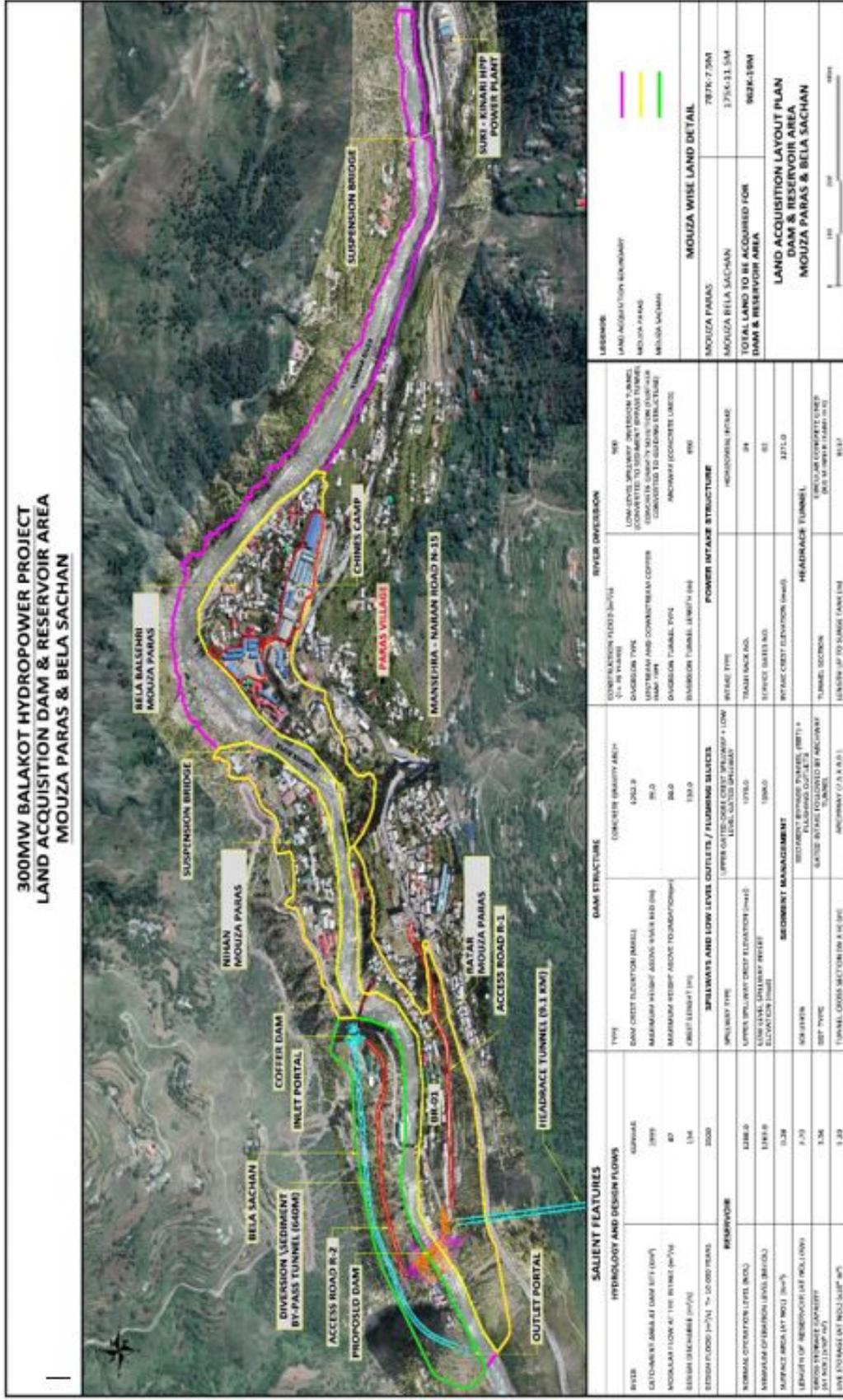


Figure 1.2 Location Map of Section 2 of BHP Project



**300MW BALAKOT HYDROPOWER PROJECT
LAND ACQUISITION DAM & RESERVOIR AREA
MOUZA PARAS & BELA SACHAN**

SALIENT FEATURES		DAM STRUCTURE		RIVER DIVERSION		LEGNDS	
HYDROLOGY AND DESIGN FLOWS	HYDROLOGY	TYPE	CONCRETE GRAVITY ARCH	CONSTRUCTION PERIOD (YRS)	500	LAND ACQUISITION BOUNDARY	<p>MOUZA PARAS: 7876.75AM</p> <p>TOTAL LAND TO BE ACQUIRED FOR DAM & RESERVOIR AREA: 175633.5AM</p> <p>MOUZA BELA SACHAN: 9626.19AM</p> <p>LAND ACQUISITION LAYOUT PLAN DAM & RESERVOIR AREA MOUZA PARAS & BELA SACHAN</p> <p>0 100 200 400</p>
	DESIGN FLOWS	DAM CREST ELEVATION (MMSL)	4262.8	DAWSON TYPE	LOW LEVEL DIVERSION TUNNEL	MOUZA ROAD	
	RESERVOIR AREA AT DAM (KM ²)	RESERVOIR HEIGHT ABOVE T.S. @ 100% (M)	95.0	UPSTREAM AND DOWNSTREAM COFFER DAM TYPE	ANCHORAGE TO EXISTING STRUCTURE	MOUZA BOUNDARY	
	RESERVOIR CAPACITY (M ³)	MAXIMUM RESERVOIR ABOVE TOUGHT (M)	95.0	DAWSON TUNNEL TYPE	ANCHORAGE (CONCRETE LARGE)		
RESERVOIR	NORMAL OPERATION LEVEL (MSL)	SPILLWAY TYPE	UPPER GATE COFFER WALLTOP + LOW LEVEL GATE (SPILLWAY)	DAWSON TUNNEL LENGTH (M)	800	MOUZA WISE LAND DETAIL	
	MINIMUM OF OPERATION LEVEL (MSL)	LOW LEVEL DIVERSION ELEVATION (MMSL)	1006.0	ROTAGE TYPE	ROTAGE NO.	MOUZA PARAS	
	SURFACE AREA AT 100% (KM ²)	MAXIMUM RESERVOIR ABOVE TOUGHT (M)	95.0	TRAILBACK NO.	TRAILBACK NO.	MOUZA BELA SACHAN	
	LENGTH OF UP RESERVOIR AT 100% (KM)	MAXIMUM RESERVOIR ABOVE TOUGHT (M)	95.0	ROTAGE GATE NO.	ROTAGE GATE NO.		
DIVERSION TUNNEL	DESIGN FLOWS (M ³ /S) 75-10,000 YEARS	SEWERAGE AND LOW LEVEL OUTLETS / FLOODING SLICES	SEWERAGE AND LOW LEVEL OUTLETS / FLOODING SLICES	ROTAGE TYPE	ROTAGE NO.	LAND ACQUISITION LAYOUT PLAN DAM & RESERVOIR AREA MOUZA PARAS & BELA SACHAN	
		UPPER GATE COFFER WALLTOP + LOW LEVEL GATE (SPILLWAY)	UPPER GATE COFFER WALLTOP + LOW LEVEL GATE (SPILLWAY)	TRAILBACK NO.	TRAILBACK NO.		
		ROTAGE TYPE	ROTAGE TYPE	ROTAGE GATE NO.	ROTAGE GATE NO.		
		TUNNEL CROSS SECTION (M x H (M))	TUNNEL CROSS SECTION (M x H (M))	ROTAGE GATE NO.	ROTAGE GATE NO.		
HEADSPACE TUNNEL	LENGTH OF TUNNEL (KM)	SEWERAGE AND LOW LEVEL OUTLETS / FLOODING SLICES	SEWERAGE AND LOW LEVEL OUTLETS / FLOODING SLICES	ROTAGE TYPE	ROTAGE NO.		
		UPPER GATE COFFER WALLTOP + LOW LEVEL GATE (SPILLWAY)	UPPER GATE COFFER WALLTOP + LOW LEVEL GATE (SPILLWAY)	TRAILBACK NO.	TRAILBACK NO.		
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2 Monitoring Methodology

13. In order to maintain independence, objectiveness, fairness and neutrality during the monitoring process, the EMC reviewed the project related documents including the PIU's SASMR (internal), conducted site visits and held public consultations with stakeholders including the DPs and 100% verification of payments (payment of compensation and allowances to DPs and the efforts PIU is making to resolve the payment cases that are impeded due to legal and administrative reasons). The EMC conducted face-to-face discussions with 23 DPs in the four affected villages. Since the DPs are available as going in routine business activities from other cities and remain busy in day time and available in the evening hence 166 DPs from 4 villages) were contacted telephonically, as agreed with PIU. In this way, interviews were conducted for 7th SASMR (external) with 5% of the total DPs, specifically 189 DPs out of the total 3,695 DPs, from 4 Mouzas. Out of a total of 189 contacted DPs; 121 received complete payments as per approved sectional LARPs and addendums, 68 DPs have their payments delayed due to multiple reasons including legal and administrative impediments such as inheritance mutations and family disputes with cases filed in the courts of law.

14. The EMC used the following (table 2.1) monitoring indicators in undertaking the monitoring work:

Table 2.1: Key Monitoring Indicators

S.NO	Monitoring Indicators for LARP Implementation
1	Payment of compensation, adequacy of budget and timelines of payments
2	Adequacy of institutional arrangements
3	Land and other assets inventory, updating of revenue records and record keeping, missed out DPs (if any)
4	Consultation and information dissemination
5	Delivery of entitlements, relevance and adequacy
6	Preparation and adequacy of relocation arrangements
7	Provision of employment to DPs, its adequacy, and income levels
8	Gender impacts
9	Identification and rehabilitation of vulnerable groups
10	Functioning of grievance redress mechanism
11	Provision of transition allowances
12	Quality, effectiveness, efficiency and sustainability of the resettlement efforts

15. Key aspects including gender and GRM (as given in above table) of the monitoring methodology adopted are as under:

- a. **Desk Review and Analysis of Project Documents:** The review of revised IMR covering the period from July – December 2024 approved sectional LARPs, project maps, list of paid and unpaid DPs, compensation payment vouchers, pending payment require procedural requirements and evidence of exhausting efforts made by the PIU to complete the payment to all unpaid DPs. The review was made to validate the information provided in the IMR.
- b. **Consultation discussions:** The consultation meetings were held with the PIU, PMC, revenue and 189 DPs. These consultation meetings (virtual and in person) were held with the DPs of the project area on March 25 – April 5, 2025 to confirm the issues reported by the DPs during discussions and to know about the status of LARP and addendum implementation and in case of non-compliance what corrective actions were followed to keep the LARP implementation on track.
- c. **Data Processing and Analysis:** The following steps were undertaken to ensure proper data review and analysis; data gathered during consultations was processed by category

of indicators for analysis purposes, and all analyzed data was tabulated for interpretation and deriving conclusions and recommendations.

- d. **Project Results:** The EMC reviewed all major LARP implementation activities including disbursement of compensation to DPs, compensation cases delayed due to legal and administrative impediments and any complaints of DPs and efforts PIU made to facilitate completion of payments and resolution of complaints, other key aspects of LARP and implementation reviewed and analyzed included the adequacy institutional arrangement and capacity for LARP implementation and monitoring, timely availability of adequate budget for payment to DPs as per their entitlements, public consultations and effectiveness of grievance redress mechanism in addressing the DPs concerns and complaints and overall compliance of safeguard requirements of loan.

3 Findings of LARP Implementation in the BHPP

16. **Overall Status of Compensation Disbursement of Both Sectional LARPs:** Table 3-1 (below) provides a summary of the overall status of compensation disbursement, showing that 88% of the total compensation amount has been disbursed to the DPs. This represents a 2% increase compared to the previous reporting period (January–June 2024). In terms of category-wise disbursement:

Table 3-1: Comparing Payments to DPs with Previous Reporting Period

Impact Category	Total DPs and Payable Payment				Progress During Reporting Period of (January – June 2024)				Progress During Reporting Period (July – December 2024)			
	Payable Payment (PKR in Millions)	DPs as approved LARPs	*Additional DPs	Total DPs	Paid Amount (Million)	Unpaid Amount (Million)	Paid DPs	Unpaid DPs	Paid Amount (Million)	Unpaid Amount (Million)	Paid DPs	Unpaid DPs
Land Compensation	567.7	3557	138	3695	329.33	238.37	1,448	2,247	373.05	194.64	1,817	1,878
Trees Compensation	81.8	3348	161	3509	67.96	13.85	1,163	2,346	71.33	10.48	1,409	2,100
Built up area*	1498.9	438	0	438	1395.8	1395.8	438	0	1395.8	1395.8	438	0
Allowances	527.8	325	0	325	500.47	27.33	258	67	522.76	5.128	279	46

* The payment of private structures has been paid 100% while the payment of Rs.103 million for the public/community assets is under process. However, the status is same as of the beginning of the project.

- **Land compensation** increased from PKR 329.33 million in the previous period to PKR 373.05 million, reflecting a 10% rise in disbursement (from 58% to 68%). Similarly, the number of DPs who received land compensation increased by 10% (from 39% to 49%).
- **Tree compensation** saw a 4% increase in the disbursed amount (from 83% to 87%), which corresponds with a 7% increase in the number of DPs receiving payments (from 33% to 40%).
- **Structure compensation** has been fully disbursed, maintaining 100% disbursement to eligible DPs as reported in the previous period.
- **Allowance payments** also improved, with a 3% increase in disbursed amounts (from 96% to 99%) and a 7% rise in the number of DPs receiving payments (reaching 86%).

17. **Compensation Disbursement as per 1st Sectional LARP:** Out of a total of 1,874 Affected Households (AHs), 1,015 AHs have received land compensation totaling PKR 113.20 million, out of the total payable amount of PKR 141.19 million. The remaining PKR 27.99 million is yet to be disbursed to 859 AHs due to legal and administrative impediments. With respect to tree compensation, the total payable amount of PKR 32.71 million is designated for 1,862 AHs. Based on the current field status, 977 AHs have

received PKR 26.90 million, while PKR 5.81 million is pending for 885 AHs as a result of procedural requirements. For structure compensation, the total payable amount of PKR 72.52 million has been fully disbursed to all 40 eligible AHs, achieving 100% completion in this category. Regarding allowance payments, as per the approved LARP, 38 out of 39 AHs have received PKR 59.05 million of the total PKR 59.57 million, as of the reporting period ending December 2024. The remaining one AH, with unpaid allowances amounting to PKR 0.52 million, has not yet been compensated as they are currently residing outside the village. All payments to available and eligible AHs have been completed. Only one disbursement remains pending due to external constraints. The undisbursed compensation is securely maintained in the project treasury account to ensure prompt payment upon submission of valid claims by the concerned AH, once the associated issues are resolved.

18. Compensation Disbursement as per 2nd Sectional LARP: Out of a total of 1,821 Affected Households (AHs), 802 AHs have received land compensation amounting to PKR 259.85 million, out of the total payable amount of PKR 426.49 million. The remaining PKR 166.65 million is pending for 1,019 AHs, primarily due to legal and administrative impediments. Regarding tree compensation, the total payable amount is PKR 49 million, intended for 1,647 AHs. To date, 432 AHs have received PKR 44.43 million, while PKR 4.67 million remains pending for 1,215 AHs due to procedural requirements. For building structure compensation, the total payable amount of PKR 1,323.32 million has been fully disbursed to all 398 eligible DPs, achieving 100% completion in this category. In terms of allowance payments, as per the approved 2nd Sectional LARP, 241 AHs (77%) out of 286 AHs have been paid PKR 463.17 million, which constitutes 99% of the total payable amount of PKR 468.214 million, as of December 31, 2024. The remaining 45 AHs, with outstanding allowances totaling PKR 5.044 million, have not yet received their payments as they are currently residing outside the project area. All payments to available and eligible AHs have been completed. The remaining payments are pending solely due to legal or administrative constraints. The undisbursed compensation amounts are secured in the project treasury account and will remain available indefinitely, ensuring that payments can be made promptly once the concerned DPs resolve their issues and present valid claims.

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- 7 fruit trees belonging to 1 DP, valued at PKR 0.1619 million
- 5 affected structures owned by 1 DP, with compensation assessed at PKR 11.061 million

20. Status of Payment for additional Land Acquisition: Of the total PKR 0.0922 million in land compensation payable to 91 Displaced Persons (DPs) in Mouza Bela Sacha, an amount of PKR 0.009 million has been disbursed to 1 DP to date. Regarding fruit tree compensation, the full payable amount of PKR 0.1619 million has been disbursed to the sole eligible DP (1 out of 1, representing 100% disbursement). Similarly, compensation for five affected built-up structures totaling PKR 11.061 million has been fully paid to 1 DP

(100% of the total eligible amount). All these payments fall under the scope of Section 2 of the LARP Addendum and relate to the acquisition of additional land for the Balakot Hydro Power Project (BHPP) in Mouza Bela Sacha. Furthermore, under the approved Addendum of the 2nd Sectional LARP, 67 out of 285 DPs (23.51%) have been paid their additional or previously omitted admissible allowances, amounting to PKR 87.15 million, which represents 67.86% of the total payable amount of PKR 128.43 million. The remaining unpaid DPs are those whose payments are currently impeded due to ongoing legal and administrative constraints.

21. **Disseminating IVS Findings:** The findings of the Independent Valuation Study (IVS) were formally shared with members of the Grievance Redress Committee (GRC), along with several DPs and community representatives. The meeting was attended in person by representatives from the PIU, GRC members, and local stakeholders, while an ADB representative participated virtually. The PIU confirmed that both GRC members and community participants expressed their satisfaction with the IVS results. In accordance with these findings, Addendum to the first and second sectional LARPs have been prepared to reflect the list of eligible DPs and the corresponding differential compensation amounts. Under the approved Addendum to the 1st Sectional LARP, covering Mouza Ghanool and Sangar, a total of 1,152 DPs has been identified through the IVS acquaintance roll, with a cumulative compensation amount of PKR 13.90 million for land acquisition. Additionally, 21 DPs have been confirmed as eligible for various admissible allowances, amounting to PKR 3.78 million. Similarly, the approved Addendum to the 2nd Sectional LARP, covering Mouza Bela Sacha and Paras, identifies 1,494 DPs as per the IVS acquaintance roll, with a total compensation amount of PKR 272.46 million for the same land acquired.

22. **Status of Payment for IVS-Assessed Compensation:** As of the end of the reporting period, none of the DPs have received compensation under the IVS-assessed land valuation included in the Addendum to the 1st Sectional LARP, due to the ongoing preparation and updating of the acquaintance roll for IVS-based compensation. In relation to the Addendum to the 2nd Sectional LARP, a total of PKR 30.443 million, representing 11.17% of the total payable IVS land compensation amount of PKR 272.46 million, has been disbursed to 12 out of 1,494 DPs (0.80%) in Mouza Paras only. The remaining compensation payments are currently under process. The PIU has assured that all pending disbursements will be completed by June 2025, and the progress will be reported in the next Semi-Annual Social Monitoring Report, scheduled for submission in July 2025.

23. **Compensation payments that are Impeded due to legal and administrative reasons:** For the 1,878 DPs (out of 3695) whose payments (Rs. 194,642,727) are impeded³ due to different legal, administrative, and procedural matters/requirements is presented below in table 3.2 which apart from exhaustive efforts by PIU also present the comparative analysis of the progress of DPs whose impediments were resolved and received their payment as compared to previous reporting period. The detail is discussed as none of the progress is demonstrated in resolving the issue of DPs juvenile, and assessment of DPs of common land. It is important to note that no progress has been made regarding the compensation of common land, and the status remains unchanged since the beginning of the project. The Project Implementation Unit (PIU) is advised to actively engage with the revenue department to facilitate the updating of the acquaintance roll. In the event of staffing constraints within the revenue department, the PIU should consider deploying its own personnel to collaborate with revenue officials, enabling the identification of the actual number of Affected Households (AHs) and their respective land shares for compensation purposes. It is strongly recommended that the PIU report measurable progress in this matter in the next reporting period, scheduled for July 2025.

³ A list of paid and unpaid DPs is available in the Annex 13 – 18 (a) of the SASMR (internal).

Table 3.2: Compensation payments that are Impeded due to legal and administrative reasons

S.NO	Category of Causing Delay	Previous Reporting Period (January – June 2024)		Reporting Period (July–December 2024)		Remarks and Recommendations
		AHs	Compensation Amount (Rs.)	AHs	Compensation Amount (Rs)	
1	Inheritance mutation issues	266	35,273,308	195	24,280,012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The progress is reported compared to previous reporting period (January – June 2024), as 71 DPs received their payment. Although PIU continued its efforts (Annex-E) but the PIU must step up its efforts to offer comprehensive support to DPs including guidance on the inheritance mutation process and arranging transportation to take them to the concerned offices. PIU must monitor and report the progress relevant to dissemination of inheritance mutation procedure and the numbers of DPs who were facilitated in visiting the various offices.
2	Meager Amount compensation	1,118	1,446,984	1,025	937,156	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Progress is reported during the reporting period as 93 DPs were paid. The DPs are showing disinterest due to the meager amount of compensation. Revenue makes the payment through cheque instead of cash payment so at least Rs.5000 are required in the opening of bank account so DPs prefer the cash compensation. (Annex-E) PIU approached different banks in the opening of bank account for DPs to waive out the condition of prior depositing amount (Annex-E). PIU must assist the DPs in providing the pick and drop from home to bank and vice versa for opening their bank account. PIU also report how many accounts of DPs of meagre amount were opened in the forthcoming SASMR (Internal) to be submitted in July 2025.
3	DPs out of city	317				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Progress is made as 90 DPs received their payment in the reporting period. These DPs have been migrated/ out of city in Pakistan for better work

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		AHs	Compensation Amount (Rs.)	AHs	Compensation Amount (Rs)	
			83,376,430	227	64,886,938	<p>opportunities. Even though they were all informed by their relatives regarding compensation to collect due compensation amount but neither they are showing up in person nor nominating attorneys for collecting compensation on their behalf. Out of city unpaid DPs are documented and their record maintained as per ADB guidance note (Annex-E).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> PIU continue its efforts to identify the DPs, and process must be monitored and reported in the forthcoming SMR to be expected in July 2025.
4	Living out of village & untraceable	432	33,679,138	326	23,964,264	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The progress is made as 106 DPs received their payment in the reporting period. These unpaid DPs who were neither known by their respective mouza inhabitants and revenue staff nor their where about are known so these DPs and their current places of residence are not known. All such DPs addresses and contact numbers (if available) are gathered through village headmen/ notable (malik/ patwari) persons and their relatives in the mouza but in some cases local community lacks addresses and contact numbers of those DPs migrated since long time (Annex E). PIU continue its efforts to identify the DPs, and process must be monitored and reported in the forthcoming SMR to be expected in July 2025.
5	DPs out of Country	65	10,103,141	58	8,901,454	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The figure narrows down from 65 to 58 indicates a slight improvement in terms of making payment to DPs. These DPs are working abroad mostly in Middle East and PIU approached them through their relatives and will receive the payment as they comeback (Annex E).

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		AHs	Compensation Amount (Rs.)	AHs	Compensation Amount (Rs)	
						<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PIU continue its efforts to identify the DPs and process must be monitored and reported in the forthcoming SMR to be expected in July 2025.
6	Title Dispute/ Court Cases	45	7,016,457	43	4,211,024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two cases were resolved during the reporting period. (July – December 2024). PIU must continue approaching litigant DPs regularly for follow-up on the pending disputes and court cases and they are explained on the process for payment as and when their cases are adjudicated by the respective courts (Annex E). PIU confirmed that their compensation amount is secured in district treasury and will receive the payment once the cases are settled down by the respective court. PIU must monitor and report the progress in the next SMR to be submitted in July 2025.
7	DPs Juvenile (under the age of 18)	4	7,429	4	7,429	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No progress is reported as none of the DPs received payment. PIU must speed up the process and facilitated the DPs in communicating the procedure especially how to submit the application that include details about the applicant, the minor child (or children) for whom guardianship is sought, their relationship, and the reason for seeking guardianship. Provide the pick and drop to DPs from home to civil court and back. PIU must monitor and report the progress in the next SMR relevant to dissemination of procedure for obtaining the guardian certificate.
8	Common land ⁴	-				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No progress was made in this regard during the reporting period; the status remains the same as at the beginning of the project. The communal land is granted to a village by the

⁴ The number of DPs remains unknown as the revenue department has not yet concluded the assessment process for communal land.

S.NO	Category of Causing Delay	Previous Reporting Period (January – June 2024)		Reporting Period (July–December 2024)		Remarks and Recommendations
		AHs	Compensation Amount (Rs.)	AHs	Compensation Amount (Rs)	
			67,454,450		67,454,450	<p>state from its reserved land to be used for communal purposes. It is considered jointly owned and possessed by the landowners of the village for communal purposes include grazing grounds, firewood collection, graveyards, community buildings, mosques, schools, dispensaries, playgrounds, village ponds, village roads, passage for the movement of cattle, etc. All persons recorded as owners of land in a village are also joint owners of communal land of the village, their shares being proportional to the size of their holding vis-à-vis total farm land in the village.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PIU need to provide additional support in terms of allocating the PIU staff to work with Revenue for the assessment of the DPs of communal land and further preparation of separate acquaintance roll. • PIU must show the progress in the forthcoming SMR to be expected in July 2025.
	Total	2,257	238,357,337	1,878	194,642,727	Overall, the progress is made as 379 DPs (out of 1,878) whose payments were impeded and received the payment as their concerns were addressed due to exhaustive efforts demonstrated by the PIU.

4. Institutional Arrangements

4.1 LARP's Implementation and Monitoring Set-up

24. The institutional arrangements and grievance redress mechanisms as mentioned in the approved sectional LARP are almost fully in place and generally functioning well. The safeguards set-up of PIU headed by Project Director include Deputy Director Social & Resettlement, Deputy Director Land Acquisition, Deputy Director Environment/ HSE, Gender and Patwari and Assistant Director Social and Resettlement. All positions are filled since January 2023 as reported in IMR and confirmed by PIU. In addition, the Land Acquisition Collector from District Land Revenue Department with land revenue staff is supporting PIU/ PMC in land acquisition and payment of awarded compensation under LAA 1894. Under supervision of the Project Director, PIU staff is keeping a close liaison with the LAC, district land revenue offices and the DPs to facilitate them in processing of compensation claims and deliver compensation of the displaced persons.

4.1.1 Project Steering Committee

25. The Project Steering Committee operates under the chairmanship of the Additional Chief Secretary of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, with the Deputy Commissioner (DC) of Mansehra as a key member. Meetings are convened on an as-needed basis and only two meetings having been taken place since its establishment. Notably, no Project Steering Committee meetings were conducted during the reporting period. Nevertheless, the DC of Mansehra has issued directives to the revenue staff to expedite the disbursement of land compensation and allowances to unpaid DPs. As per the PIU, the Additional Chief Secretary maintains close coordination with both the PIU and the DC to address and resolve the issues hindering the disbursement of compensation payments with the aim of expediting the process.

4.1.2 Disbursement of Allowances by LAC/ PIU

26. An allowances disbursement committee has been constituted at the office of LAC/ DC under the chairmanship of Additional Deputy Commissioner (ADC) along with Deputy Director Social & Resettlement) Annex-B). The committee members keenly examine every single case with assistance of PIU field staff in order to ascertain required information to make the payment of allowances to entitled DPs. Once the PIU staff concludes all field verifications, they submit their findings to the committee, after which the vouchers are duly signed. Upon the committee's completion of the review and approval of the cases, cheques are promptly issued to the entitled DPs.

4.1.3 Grievance Redress Mechanism

27. A two-tier grievance redressal system (Annex-C) is currently operational, with one tier at the village/field level and another at the PIU (Project Implementation Unit) level. The PIU-level Grievance Redressal Committee (GRC) was established on January 3, 2022. Subsequently, the field-level GRCs for mouza Ghanool and Sangar, falling under section-1, were officially notified on September 15, 2022. Similarly, for mouza Bela Sacha, a separate notification under section-2 was issued on September 26, 2022. Notably, the GRC for village Paras was notified on January 12, 2023, as a response to a delayed representation from the respective village. For more detailed information, please refer to Section 6.

5 Consultations and Information Disclosure

28. Consultation and disclosures meetings are held regularly with the DPs and other stakeholders to keep them aware about the project, GRM, ongoing land acquisition and resettlement process, schedule for the compensation disbursement, proposed IVS and procedural requirements to resolve the impediments. A total of 33 consultation meetings were held in the project area during the reporting period and a total of 331 (218 males and 113 females' participants) DPs participated in these meetings. EMC found that the participants were duly informed about the process to receive their rightful compensation and allowances from the revenue department. Moreover, extensive publicity was carried out through both print and electronic media channels, as well as announcements made in local mosques (masjids). This included the placement of banners and distribution of information brochures regarding the project in the affected areas. The women inclusiveness in the routine meetings is very essential as 1772 women are identified as DPs. From the total 1772, only 861 women have received their compensation while the payment of remaining women (911) is pending owing to the legal and administrative impediments. The proportion of payments made to females has risen to 12% compared to the previous reporting period. The PIU should persist in its efforts to assist female DPs in

overcoming impediments they face to ensure 100% compensation payment completion for all DPs.

29. EMC also observed that the PIU conducted 17 coordination meetings with the Deputy Commissioner, Additional Deputy Commissioner and Tehsildar. These meetings were aimed at addressing impediments and ensuring the prompt payment of 100% compensation to DPs (Displaced Persons), particularly those with relatively meager amounts. The discussions also focused on the way forward for handling the disbursement of these modest compensation amounts. EMC recommends that the PIU should continue to assist DPs with meagre compensation amounts in opening bank accounts to avoid higher payment fees associated with individual compensation payments. It's worth noting that the PIU has already been in contact with local banks such as Meezan and UBL as detailed in Annex-E, to facilitate the disbursement of compensation to 1,025 DPs with meager amounts. To expedite this process, the PIU should provide full support including arranging transportation for DPs to and from their homes and the bank for the purpose of opening bank accounts in the respective institutions.

30. Furthermore, EMC suggests that in the next IMR, the PIU, should provide information on the number of DPs visited and the accounts that were successfully opened. If any DP declines to open a bank account, the report should include the specific reasons for their refusal and how the PIU worked to address their concerns and convince them otherwise.

31. The information disclosure has been well achieved by PIU. LARP and project information brochures have been disclosed to DPs in Urdu. The DPs seem quite aware of their entitled compensation and livelihood restoration allowances and procedures of payments. Mostly, the DPs also know about the ongoing IVS, and they will receive the differential however none of the DPs know about the exact schedule of IVS finding. Announcement was made on a social media Local Channel Insaf Pakistan News Balakot. The recorded video can be approached at the link:<https://www.facebook.com/INSAFPakistan/videos/3016196435295626/>

32. In terms of gender perspective, the LARP also identified the women DPs in terms of the loss of their assets. Like, male DPs the women are also receiving their payment. The women residing in the affected mouzas were also apprised of their entitlements during consultation meetings attended by their male household members. Also, the women meeting are underway by the gender expert of PIU and these meetings aimed to ensure that the due compensation amounts would be received from the revenue department. Further, the Gender Action Plan (GAP) has been diligently executed in accordance with its prescribed objectives under each program output. As part of the LARP implementation, eligible female DPs have received compensation and allowances. The remaining facets of the GAP are closely tied to the LRP's implementation and are to be overseen by the consulting NGO. These GAP-related activities will be initiated through the consulting NGO mobilized since September 2023. EMC did not find the initiation of any GAP related activities hence it should be initiated now, and progress must be reflected in the next IMR to be submitted in July 2025.

33. EMC's findings revealed that, during the reporting period, consultations were held with only 113 women DPs, despite the fact that only 49% of the women (861 out of 1772) have received their compensation. In light of this, EMC strongly recommends that the PIU increase the frequency of these meetings and provide comprehensive support to the DPs. This support is crucial due to societal cultural barriers that restrict the mobility of women. To address this, the PIU should ensure that pick-up and drop-off services are made available to transport women to the relevant offices for resolving their payment issues. Additionally, the PIU should closely monitor and report on the progress, detailing how many

women were visited during the reporting period and how many successfully received their payments as a result of these efforts.

5.1 Stakeholders Consultations and assessment of DPs Feedback

34. A total of 189 DPs contacted during the reporting period; From the total, 121 received complete payments as per approved sectional LARPs, 68 DPs have their payments delayed due to multiple reasons including legal and administrative impediments such as inheritance mutations and family disputes with cases filed in the courts of law) were randomly selected from each stratum of DPs, as outlined in the methodology section. The purpose was to gather their perspectives on various aspects, including the assessment of compensation, disbursement of payments, consultations, disclosure and the effectiveness of the grievance redress mechanism and the utilization of the compensation amount. The responses from these DPs pertaining to compensation payment, consultations, and the grievance redress mechanism are presented in Table 5.1 below.

Table 5.1: Responses of the Contacted DPs

S#	Indicators	No. of Respondents	% of Respondents
1	Status of awareness regarding the compensation payment	161	87
2	Satisfaction with the land compensation assessment	29	15
3	DPs received their compensation payment	121	64
4	Organizing consultation meetings	105	56
5	Awareness level about the GRM	102	54

35. Table provides an overview of key findings. It's worth noting that 87% of the surveyed DPs were aware of the compensation amount, although this awareness was expected since all DPs were informed of their eligibility for compensation due to asset loss by the PIU. Regarding the actual compensation payment, 64% of the contacted DPs have received their compensation. In terms of how the compensation amount is utilized, 66% of DPs reported that the amount was insufficient and had to be used for their routine daily expenses. Additionally, 19% mentioned that the compensation was used to secure alternative housing while 15% are waiting for differential payments through IVS to effectively utilize the compensation. It's noteworthy that 15% of the DPs expressed satisfaction with the land compensation assessment while the significant majority (85%) were still showed concern despite the fact that IVS conducted. EMC recommends that PIU should immediately make the IVS payment and progress must be monitored and reported in the forthcoming semiannual report scheduled in July 2025. Regarding consultation meetings, 56% of DPs reported that the Project Implementation Unit (PIU) regularly visits them to share information related to the project, including compensation assessment, payment procedures, issues related to low compensation amounts, inheritance mutation, and the schedule for pending payments. In terms of the Grievance Redress Mechanism (GRM), 54% of the DPs visited were aware of its existence and functioning within the project area.

6 Grievance Redress Mechanism

36. The GRM has been established in entire four villages. Any DP can file any complaint with GRCs and PIU to resolve it immediately. Currently, 54 complaints were registered, including 6 complaints registered during the reporting period, and 53 have been resolved and only one complaint is pending (table 6.1). The complaint remains unresolved due to the absence of contractor representation in the Grievance Redress Committee (GRC), as

reported by PIU. The PIU should immediately ensure the contractor's participation in the GRC to facilitate the resolution of this complaint.

Table 6.1: Nature and Status of the Complaints

S #	Nature of Complaints	Reported Complaints (No)	Number of complaints resolved	Remarks
1	Provision of allowances	26	26	
2	Partial Assessment of the structure	1	1	
3	Pending labor wages/ non-provision of contracts and business	3	3	
4	Internal Family Dispute over on LARP's Allowances	10	10	
5	Applications/ objection against GRC member of village Paras	3	3	This includes the resolution of two complaints submitted to ADB's compliance review panel.
6	Applications/ complaints for missing Business allowances	4	4	
7	Damage of construction materials Mixture Machine/structure	2	1	The complaint remains unresolved due to the absence of contractor representation in the Grievance Redress Committee (GRC), as reported by PIU. The PIU should immediately ensure the contractor's participation in the GRC to facilitate the resolution of this complaint.
8	Complaint regarding land acquisition, valuation and compensation amount.	1	1	
9	Access to amenities due to demolition of structure.	2	2	
10	Request for more time after notice period	1	1	
11	Non-provision of jobs and unfair compensation in revenue record	1	1	
Total		54	48	

37. EMC has identified an issue with the maintenance of the grievance register, specifically noting that the 'action taken' column is not being comprehensively filled out (Annex-D). As a recommendation, it is advised that this column should include detailed information such as records of meetings with the complainant, field visits (if conducted), ongoing investigation types, and associated dates. Additionally, EMC suggests that the complainant should receive regular updates regarding the status of their complaint.

6.1 Complaints Submitted to ADB

38. Three complainants directly submitted to ADB and all three have been resolved now. The detail is as, in June 2022, a single complaint was registered with ADB's Accountability

Mechanism (OSPF) from the village of Sangar regarding land acquisition, valuation, and compensation. An IVS study was conducted, and a top-up will be provided to meet ADB-SPS replacement cost requirements. The complainant expressed satisfaction with the outcome of the IVS study and submitted a statement of satisfaction to the PIU, thereby considering the complaint resolved. In January 2024, two complaints were registered with ADB's Compliance Review Panel regarding missing business allowances from the village of Bela Sacha. Following thorough discussions and meetings with the complainants, conducted in accordance with ADB's guidelines, the PIU, with support from the PMC, successfully resolved the complaints. This was achieved by submitting documentary proof for the additional/missing allowances, which were reviewed under the eligibility criteria and approved. Furthermore, the complainants provided statements of satisfaction to the PIU, confirming that the issues had been resolved to their satisfaction.

8. Other Safeguard Aspects

8.1 Short-Term Project Based Employment

39. The Final sectional LARP of Section 8.2.1 referred to livelihood support in addition to the compensation and monetary allowances to help DPs to cope with their displacement. Members of these DPs households will be prioritized in getting employment as skilled/unskilled labors during project implementation. A number of employment opportunities will be created during the construction phase, particularly for the unskilled labor. Similarly, after completion of the BHPP project permanent/ long-term employment for the operation of BHPP will be provided to some of these DPs preferably losing business. To ensure compliance with this provision, PIU and Project Management Consultant provided the job to local skilled and unskilled people. PIU has stated that the contractor has been explicitly instructed to adhere to the terms, special clause (4.25 d) of the contract. The contractor is encouraged to prioritize the recruitment of DPs and locals from the villages where civil work has already commenced. Furthermore, the Project Director has urged the representatives from all impacted villages to submit a comprehensive list of both skilled and unskilled DPs from each affected area to PIU via the members of the GRC of their respective village. The PIU shared data information about skilled and unskilled workers engaged by contractors from local communities which is presented in the below Table 7.1.

40. According to the contractor's records as reported by PIU, the project's contractors and consultant-NGO have engaged a total of 1,582 individuals for short-term employment, encompassing both skilled and unskilled labor. Among this workforce, 71% (equivalent to 1,122 out of the total 1,582) have been recruited from the directly affected project area. Also, 44% of DPs were provided the jobs. Furthermore, EMC recommends that PIU should provide detailed data which is disaggregated on the contractor's employees. This data should specify the number of DPs, households severely impacted by the project and members of vulnerable households. These findings should be included in the next SASMR (internal). EMC also emphasizes that PIU should proactively oversee both the direct (employment opportunities) and indirect (such as operating tea stalls near the camp office, etc.) livelihood sources for DPs related to the project. To ensure accuracy, these figures should be validated by the EMC.

Table 7.1: Summary of Skilled and Un-Skilled Working Labors

Contractors/ Consultants	Skilled Labor	Un-Skilled Labor	Total
Project Management Consultants/ PIU	4	0	4
Consultant-NGO	4	0	4
The Contractors	551	1,023	1,574

Total	559	1,023	1,582
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Source: IMR for July – December 2024

8.2 Compliance with the Core Labor Standards

41. EMA found that the PIU is cognizant of the national labor laws, core labor standards (CLS) and health, safety, and environment requirements to be followed by the contractor. Accordingly, the relevant provisions and requirements to be followed for avoiding forced labor, child labor, and discrimination at work including health, safety and security of the labor were adequately embedded in the bidding and contract documents. PIU monitors the employment process being followed by the contractor as well as the campsites and worksites to ensure the core labor standards and outlined health, safety and environmental requirements are fully complied. Based on the reviewed record and on-site verifications, it is understood that the contractors are well conversant with the contractual requirements, and they generally comply with the CLS requirements. So, during the monitoring period no instance of forced or child labor and/or discrimination at work was reported. EMA recommends that PIU should also report on the status of labor GRM, i.e., when it was established, how it is functioning and worker satisfaction level. The PIU should also report on the training activities (if any) launched by the contractor for workers on health and safety. This activity must be regularly monitored and reported in the IMR and validated by EMA.

9. Conclusion and Recommendation

9.1 Conclusions

42. After reviewing the shared internal monitoring report of both sectional LARPs and assessment of information gathered through field visits to Project Area, telephonic conversation with DPs, meetings with the DPs, Revenue and PMC, the EMC concluded as under:

- a) **Compensation Payment:** The overall 88% of compensation amount has been disbursed to the DPs. During the reporting period, notable progress was observed across all compensation categories. Land compensation increased from NPR 329.33 million in the previous period to NPR 373.05 million, reflecting a 10% rise in disbursement (from 58% to 68%), with a corresponding 10% increase in the number of Displaced Persons (DPs) who received payments (from 39% to 49%). Tree compensation also improved, with a 4% increase in the disbursed amount (from 83% to 87%) and a 7% increase in beneficiary DPs (from 33% to 40%). Structure compensation remained fully disbursed, maintaining 100% coverage of eligible DPs, consistent with the previous reporting period. Additionally, allowance payments recorded a 3% increase in disbursement (from 96% to 99%) and a 7% increase in the number of DPs receiving allowances, reaching 86%.
- b) **Impeded Payments:** The compensation payment of 1878 DPs (compensation amount Rs. 194.64 million) are impeded due to various reasons including 195 AHs of inheritance mutation, 1025 AHs of meager amount of compensation, 611 absent AHs, 43 AHs of dispute/court cases, 4 AHs of Juvenile (under the age of 18) and communal land.
- c) **Exhaustive Efforts:** PIU continues to make good faith efforts in resolving all impediments (although these are beyond PIU's power and capacity to address alone) to achieve 100% compensation paid to 100% DPs of both sectional LARPs.
- d) **Consultation and Disclosure:** Consultation and disclosures meetings are held regularly with the DPs and other stakeholders to keep them aware about the project, GRM, ongoing land acquisition and resettlement process, schedule for the

compensation disbursement, including IVS payment and procedural requirements to resolve the impediments.

- e) Complaints submitted to ADB:** Three complainants directly submitted to ADB and all three have been resolved now. The detail is as, in June 2022, a single complaint was registered with ADB's Accountability Mechanism (OSPF) from the village of Sangar regarding land acquisition, valuation, and compensation. An IVS study was conducted, and a top-up will be provided to meet ADB-SPS replacement cost requirements. The complainant expressed satisfaction with the outcome of the IVS study and submitted a statement of satisfaction to the PIU, thereby considering the complaint resolved. In January 2024, two complaints were registered with ADB's Compliance Review Panel regarding missing business allowances from the village of Bela Sacha. Following thorough discussions and meetings with the complainants, conducted in accordance with ADB's guidelines, the PIU, with support from the PMC, successfully resolved the complaints. This was achieved by submitting documentary proof for the additional/missing allowances, which were reviewed under the eligibility criteria and approved. Furthermore, the complainants provided statements of satisfaction to the PIU, confirming that the issues had been resolved to their satisfaction.
- f) Institutional Arrangement:** The institutional arrangements and grievance redress mechanisms as mentioned in the approved sectional LARPs are almost fully in place and generally functioning well.

9.2 Recommendations

43. The EMC validates that the LARP implementation is progressing well in the project area. The EMC also validates that a thorough assessment has been conducted which verifies that there are no DPs who have not received their payments without valid justifications, such as legal or administrative impediments. Nonetheless, EMC recommends that in light of the 1,878 delayed payments, the PIU expedites the resolution of obstacles to ensure that all DPs receive their payments promptly and propose the following;

- PIU needs to continue its efforts to monitor the actions that have been made to ensure safeguards compliance in the field including 100% payments to 100% DPs. However, the PIU must step up its efforts to offer comprehensive support to DPs including guidance on the inheritance mutation process and arranging transportation to take them to the concerned offices. The progress of payment should be monitored and reported in the semiannual internal Monitoring Report with validation by EMC.
- PIU continues to follow up with the DC for the induction of revenue to assist DPs in the Balakot on two designated days per week for compensation disbursement. Also ensure the immediate rectifications to the names of any DPs and affected land's khasra number aligned with the details as outlined in the acquaintance roll.
- PIU continues to arrange consultation and disclosures meetings regularly with the DPs and other stakeholders to keep them aware about the project, GRM, ongoing LARPs and addendums implementation process, and procedural requirements to resolve the impediments.
- The Grievance redress mechanism should be more proactive by organizing routine meetings of the GRC and ensuring that all complaints are promptly registered and resolved. Additionally, verbal complaints voiced during EMC meetings should also

be documented and addressed accordingly. Furthermore, the complaint register should be consistently updated, with all columns being properly filled, and the status of complaints clearly visible in the register.

- PIU should persist in its endeavors to facilitate the opening of bank accounts for the DPs in both Khyber Bank and the recently identified United Bank Limited (UBL). This will ensure the timely disbursement of payments to the 1,025 DPs of meager amount of compensation. Progress on this front must be documented in the upcoming semiannual internal monitoring report and validated by EMC.
- DPs have expressed concerns about the predominant recruitment of non-local individuals. These concerns were raised in virtually all the villages visited by the EMC. In response to this, EMC strongly recommends that the PIU take a more vigilant approach in monitoring the recruitment process. This includes verifying the Computerized National Identity Cards (CNIC) of all recruited individuals to determine the proportion of locals and DPs among them.
- PIU should timely ensure the implementation of addendums so as all DPs receive their payment timely.
- The PIU must disburse the top-up costs in light of IVS to DPs and progress must be monitored and reported in the next SMR
- The suggested recommendations have been consolidated into an action plan outlined in Table 8.1 below which has been mutually agreed upon with the PIU for subsequent implementation.

Table 8.1: Proposed Action Plan for the BHPP

S#	Impact/ Indicator	Proposed Actions	Timeline	Responsibility	Remark
1	Complete the Payment to 100% DPs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Continue a follow up with the all the concerned especially revenue officials to remove the impediments. b. Facilitate the DPs in arranging the meetings with the concerned department and the preparation of compensation files c. Facilitate the DPs (provide the pickup and drop) in the opening of a bank account for the payment of the meager amount. 	Ongoing process	PIU, PMC & Revenue	Complete the 100% payment to DPs
2	Continuity in consultation meetings with the DPs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Facilitate the dialogue between DPs and concerned officials b. Increase the frequency of the meetings, i.e., at least twice a monthly c. Prepare the minutes of the meeting and follow up of the decisions taken during the previous meeting d. Maximize the number of participants in the consultation meetings through timely sharing the schedule of the meeting, regular contact with the DPs and ensuring the participation of respective GRC's member in the meeting e. The meetings with the women should also be held regularly 	On-going process	PIU & PMC	Ensure the regularity in consultation meetings
3	Strengthening of GRM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Ensure the smooth functioning of all tiers of GRM in terms of timely logging and resolving of the complaints. b. Register the verbal complaints as well. c. Create awareness among the DPs about the GRM through distribution of brochure/pamphlets and routine consultation meetings with the DPs. d. The column of "action taken" must be filled properly in the grievance register, i.e., meeting with the complainant, field visit (if any), types of ongoing investigations and dates along with the action taken. e. Ensure the easy access of DPs to complaint register f. Provide timely feedback to the complainant about the decisions made during the GRC meeting g. PIU should continue applying the skill (gained during the GRC training organized by ADB in December 2022) in grievance redressal. 	Ongoing process	PIU & PMC	Ensure the smooth functioning of GRM
4	Covering of gender aspect in the IMR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. PIU Gender Specialist should continue holding the meeting with the women DPs so that their issues can be taken up with the concerned departments and b. Continue facilitation in resolving their issues c. Need to enhance the frequency of women meetings 	Ongoing process	PIU & PMC	Ensure the interaction with women DPs
5	Update the employment status of the DPs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Collect the employment data from the contractor on a monthly basis b. Differentiate the DPs employment data from the total employment record (including gender disaggregated data) c. Comparison of local vs non-local including the DPs employment data 	Ongoing process	PIU & PMC	Ensure that the employment data is reflected in the IMR.

S#	Impact/ Indicator	Proposed Actions	Timeline	Responsibility	Remark
		d. Document the project-based livelihood.			
6	Implementation of Addendums	a. PIU continues to follow up with revenue for the timely completion of compensation disbursement process. b. Regular consultations with the DPs will continue to resolve their concerns (if any)	June 2025	Revenue PIU & PMC	Ensure the LARPs are updated.
7	Payment of differential as per IVS	a. PIU ensure the timely transfer of top up money in the treasury b. Follow up with revenue for the timely disbursement of the funds	June 2025	PIU & PMC	Ensure the timely completion of the study.
8	Livelihood/Income Restoration measures	a. NGO will revise the livelihood restoration plan based on the ADB's comments, fresh consultations and need assessment, impact assessment as per approved sectional LARPs. b. NGO will raise awareness among the DPs for their active participation in the training activities especially vulnerable and severely affected households are preferred in the training program and incentives to be provided. c. NGOs will develop training modules and get them approved prior to the initiation of training activities. d. Post training evaluation form/feedback from the trainees must be obtained to improve the quality of the training. e. The training must be held at a suitable and accessible place. f. The information should be consolidated and reported in the quarterly and semi-annual internal monitoring reports for review and validation by the EMC in future.	October 2025	NGO, PIU & PMC	Ensure the livelihood restoration of the DPs including the vulnerable and severely impacted households.
9	Finalize the assessment of DPs of communal land	a. PIU should depute the staff with revenue to for assessment of DPs b. Finalize the name of the DPs of communal land as per the acquaintance rolls	Dec 2025	PIU, PMC and revenue	Ensure the DPs of communal land are finalized

Annexure A: List of the Participants of the Meeting at PIU office

S#	Name	Village
1	Abdul Shakoor	Ghanool
2	Naveed Maskeen	Ghanool
3	Ghulam Mustafa	Ghanool
4	Aziz ur Rehman	Ghanool
5	Arshad khan	Sangar
6	Rizwan Hussain	Sangar
7	Muhammad Arshad	Sangar
8	Wajhat Ali	Sangar
9	Rizwan Hussain	Sangar
10	Muhammad Arshad	Sangar
11	Muhammad Asif	Sangar
12	Syed Wasif Shah	Bela Sacha
13	Hamid Shah	Bela Sacha
14	Syed Tahir	Bela Sacha
15	Syed Tanveer Shah	Paras
16	Syed Azhar Shah	Paras
17	Syed Javed Shah	Paras
18	Wazarat Shah	Paras
19	Waqar Shah	Paras
20	Syed Mazhar Ali Shah	Paras
21	Syed Babar Shah	Paras
22	Syed Hameed Shah	Paras
23	Syed Rizwan Ali	Paras

Annexure B: Notification of Allowances disbursement committee at LAC/ PIU


**OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER /
LAND ACQUISITION COLLECTOR
MANSEHRA**


No. 1401 /BHPP/Acq/DC(M) Dated 15 /09/2022

NOTIFICATION.

A committee consisting of the following is hereby constituted to make payment of the LARP amount to all concerned. The LARP amount is being shifted through Treasury Voucher to the ADC(G), Mansehra for further course of action.

1. Additional Deputy Commissioner (G), Mansehra. ----- Chairman
2. Mr. Naveed Afsar, Deputy Director (S&R), BHPP ----- Member
3. Mr. Ibadullah, Assistant Resettlement Expert, PMC ----- Member

TORs.

1. The concerned beneficiaries of LARP shall be informed properly.
2. The committee shall make payments according to the record to rightful owners.
3. Proper record and cash book of the payments be maintained.
4. Utmost care be adopted while making payment to avoid payment especially in cases where status quo is involved.
5. Reconciliation of payment.
6. Consolidated reports be submitted to the undersigned.


**Deputy Commissioner/
Land Acquisition Collector
Mansehra**

No. 1402-08 /BHPP/Acq/DC(M)

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2. The Commissioner Hazara Division, Abbottabad.
3. The Secretary Board of Revenue Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar.
4. The Project Director, Balakot Hydro Power Project, PEDO, Peshawar.
5. The District Accounts Officer, Mansehra.
6. All concerned.


**Deputy Commissioner/
Land Acquisition Collector
Mansehra**



**OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER /
LAND ACQUISITION COLLECTOR
MANSEHRA**



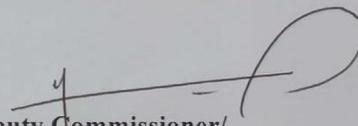
No. 1448 /BHPP/Acq/DC(M)

Dated 20 /09/2022

ORDER.

Additional Deputy Commissioner (G), Mansehra is hereby authorized to sign treasury vouchers under Central Treasury Rules 142 pertaining to the LARP payment to the concerned beneficiaries of Balakot Hydro Power Project belonging to "Mouza Ghanool & Sangar" in respect of the amount worth Rs. 59,565,000/- (Fifty Nine Million Five Hundred Sixty Five Thousand Rupees Only) received through Cheque No. 47789712 dated 23-08-2022 from the Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Pakhtunkhwa Energy Development Organization (PEDO) vide their letter No. PEDO/PD/BHPP/2022-23/848-51 dated 23-08-2022 and deposited Under Head G-11215 Revenue Deposit vide deposit No. 182 dated 19-09-2022, in National Bank Main Branch, Mansehra.

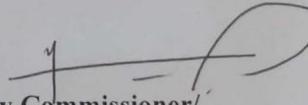
Payment shall be made accordance with the TOR's laid down in this office Notification No. 1401/BHPP/Acq/DC(M) dated 15-09-2022.


**Deputy Commissioner/
Land Acquisition Collector
Mansehra**

No. 1449-1455 /BHPP/Acq/DC(M)

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3. The Secretary Board of Revenue Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar.
4. The Project Director, Balakot Hydro Power Project, PEDO, Peshawar.
5. The District Accounts Officer, Mansehra w/r to his letter No. 5497-5506 dated 20-05-2022 alongwith specimen signature of the Additional Deputy Commissioner (G), Mansehra.
6. The Manger National Bank of Pakistan (Main Branch), Mansehra alongwith specimen signature of the Additional Deputy Commissioner (G), Mansehra.
7. All concerned.


**Deputy Commissioner/
Land Acquisition Collector
Mansehra**

Annexure C: Notification of Grievances Redressal Committee



PEDO
PAKHTUNKHWA ENERGY DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION
GOVERNMENT OF KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA



Dated Peshawar the 03 /01/2022

NOTIFICATION

No. 38-42 /PEDO/CEO/AG The Competent Authority is pleased to notify the attached Grievance Redress Mechanism (GRM) & Grievances Redress Committees (GRCs) at Village level and at Project level for 300MW Balakot Hydropower Project District Mansehra for implementation in true letter & spirit.

The attached GRM is for compliance for 300MW Balakot HPP Project, PEDO.

-Sd/-

Chief Executive Officer
 PEDO, Peshawar.

Endst. No. & Date as above.

Copy forwarded for information to:-

1. The Chief Engineer (Development/Plan), PEDO, Peshawar.
2. The Director (P&F) PEDO, Peshawar.
3. The Project Director Balakot HPP (300 MW) District Mansehra
4. PS to CEO PEDO, Peshawar.
5. PA to Director (Admn/HR) PEDO, Peshawar.

Assistant Director (Admin),
 PEDO, Peshawar



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 Energy & Power Department



Dated Peshawar the 15/09/2022

NOTIFICATION

No.876-83/PEDO/PD Balakot HPP/. The Competent Authority is pleased to notify the following Grievances Redressal Committee (GRC) at village level for Sangar & Ghanool (300 MW Balakot Hydropower Project, District Mansehra) for implementation in its true letter & spirit.

The Village level GRC composition is as under;

S.No.	Name/Designation	Designation
1	Deputy Director (Social & Resettlement), PIU, BHPP	Chairman
2	Deputy Director (Environment, Health, Safety & Gender), PIU, BHPP	Member
3	The Resettlement Expert, PMC, BHPP	Member
4	Patwari, Mouza Sangar	Member
5	Patwari, Mouza Ghanool	Member
6	Mr. Ghulam Mustafa (Community Member, Mouza Ghanool)	Member
7	Mr. Arshad Khan (Community Member, Mouza Sangar)	Member
8	Mr. Muhammad Tariq (Community Member, Mouza Sangar)	Member

Al Anar
 Project Director
 Balakot HPP,
 PEDO, Peshawar.

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3. The Assistant Commissioner, Balakot
4. PS to CEO PEDO, Peshawar
5. The Principal Energy Specialist, CWEN, ADB
6. The Team Leader, PMC, BHPP
7. Members concerned

/

Project Director
 Balakot HPP,
 PEDO, Peshawar.



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Dated Peshawar the 26/09/2022

NOTIFICATION

No.920/PEDO/PD Balakot HPP/. The Competent Authority is pleased to notify the following Grievances Redressal Committee (GRC) at village level for Bela Sacha (300 MW Balakot Hydropower Project, District Mansehra) for implementation in its true letter & spirit.

The Village level GRC composition is as under;

S. No	Name/Designation	Role in the Committee
1	Deputy Director (Social & Resettlement), PIU, BHPP	Chairman
2	Deputy Director (Environment, Health, Safety & Gender), PIU, BHPP	Member
3	The Resettlement Expert, PMC, BHPP	Member
4	Patwari, Mouza Bela Sacha	Member
5	Syed Anwar Ulhaq Shah S/o Aziz Ud Din Shah	Member
6	Syed Hasnain Ali Shah S/o Munir Hussain Shah	Member

Ab me
 Project Director 26/09/2022
 Balakot HPP,
 PEDO, Peshawar.

Copy Forwarded for Information to;

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2. The Deputy Commissioner, Mansehra
3. The Assistant Commissioner, Balakot
4. PS to CEO PEDO, Peshawar
5. The Principal Energy Specialist, CWEN, ADB
6. The Team Leader, PMC, BHPP
7. Members concerned

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Project Director
 Balakot HPP,
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Dated Peshawar the 12/01/2023

NOTIFICATION

No.1306/PEDO/PD Balakot HPP/. The Competent Authority is pleased to notify the following Grievances Redressal Committee (GRC) at village level for Paras (300 MW Balakot Hydropower Project, District Mansehra) for implementation in its true letter & spirit.

The Village level GRC composition is as under;

S. No	Name/Designation	Role in the Committee
1	Deputy Director (Social & Resettlement), PIU, BHPP	Chairman
2	Deputy Director (Environment, Health, Safety & Gender), PIU, BHPP	Member
3	The Resettlement Expert, PMC, BHPP	Member
4	Patwari, Mouza Paras	Member
5	Syed Tanveer Alam Shah S/o Syed Muzamil Shah	Member
6	Syed Jabran Shah S/o Syed Imdad Hussain Shah	Member
7	Syed Tahir Hussain Shah S/o Syed Noor Hussain Shah	Member

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**Project Director
Balakot HPP,
PEDO, Peshawar.**

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5. The Principal Energy Specialist, CWEN, ADB
6. The Team Leader, PMC, BHPP
7. Members concerned


**Project Director
Balakot HPP,
PEDO, Peshawar.**

Annexure D: Evidence of Complaint Register

GRIEVANCES REGISTER OF BHP PROJECT						
S. No	Date of Lodging Grievance	Name, Address and Contact Number of the Complainer	Nature of Complaint	Mode of Complaint Verbally, Telephonically or in writing	Action Taken	Remarks
1	10-11-2022	Ghulam Mustafa, Ghanool, 0345-5326785,	Labor wages	verbally	Asked the Complainant for written complaint	Resolved 21/11/22 Pending
2	10-11-2022	M. Shafiq, Sangar	Less structure Assessment.	In Writing	Under Review	Resolved 11/11/22 Pending
3	10-11-2022	0345-9623356 Ehsan ulhas, Sangar	LARP chula allowance	In Writing	Not eligible for any allowance He was unmarried on COD.	Resolved.
4	10-11-2022	0346-5853281 Rizwan Hussain, Sangar	Business Allowance	In Writing	Needs more verification on site	Asked complainant for more evidence
5	10-11-2022	0345-9623356 Abur Rehman, Sangar	LARP chula Allowance	In Writing.	Provided MS-38 is a cattle shed, so no family can reside in this	Application Rejected.
6	10-11-2022	0346-9594405 Ghulam Qadir, Sangar	LARP shifting Allowance	In Writing	Business and shifting allowance already available	Resolved.
7	10-11-2022	Gulzar Bibi, Sangar	LARP Allowances	In Writing	Need more evidence and further verification on ground	Resolved 15/11/22 Pending.

Annexure E: Exhaustive Efforts Securing Compensation Amount

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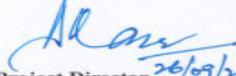
No. 876/PEDO/PD Balakot HPP/LA
Dated:26/09/2022

To
The Deputy Commissioner,
District Manshara.

Subject: SURETY OF BHPP BALANCE / UNDISBURSED AMOUNT UTILIZATION.

It is stated that, BHPP land and non-land assets compensation amount disbursement process is ongoing among the affected/displaced persons by your office. During disbursement of compensation amount of Mouza Ghanool, some of the Aps/DPs are unpaid due to known and unknown reasons.

Therefore, you are requested to ensure us that the unpaid money will not be used for any other purpose and will be safe in district treasury. Your prompt support will be highly appreciated in this regard.


Project Director, 26/09/2022
Balakot HPP.

CC;

1. Team Leader, PMC / The Deputy Team Leader, PMC,
2. PS to CEO

/
Project Director,
Balakot HPP.

i. Advertisement in Newspaper for the collection of compensation payment



ii. Notice to DPs for Compensation Payment





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Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Peshawar

Energy & Power Department



Dated:05/09/2022

اطلاع برائے مالکان اراضیات

بالاکوٹ ہائیڈرو پاور ترقیاتی پراجیکٹ تحصیل بالاکوٹ، ضلع مانسہرہ

نام: محمد شفیع ولد: محمد شفیع اللہ
 نمبر خسرہ: 4277/1 ، 4281/2 موضع: کھنول

تحصیل بالاکوٹ ضلع مانسہرہ کے ان تمام مالکان اراضیات جن کی زمین بالاکوٹ ہائیڈرو پاور ترقیاتی پراجیکٹ کی تعمیر کیلئے حاصل کی جا چکی ہے، کو مطلع کیا جاتا ہے کہ وہ اپنی رقوم بابت قیمت اراضیات، درختان اور تعمیر شدہ مکانات متعلقہ تحصیلدار بالاکوٹ سے جلد از جلد وصول کر لیں۔

المشہر
محمد شفیع 5/9/22

ڈیپٹی ڈائریکٹر (سوشل اینڈ ریسٹلمینٹ)
 بالاکوٹ ہائیڈرو پاور ترقیاتی پراجیکٹ (پیڈو)

iii. Displaying Notices/Banners/ Announcement in the project area for compensation disbursement



Displaying of notices along the Masjid wall

اطلاع عام

گاؤں گھنہول اور سنگڑ کے رہائشی لوگوں کو مطلع کیا جاتا ہے کہ آپ کی سہولت کی خاطر L.A.R.P کی رقم کی ادائیگی کے لئے جناب ایڈیشنل ڈپٹی کمشنر صاحب مورخہ 23 ستمبر 2022 بروز جمعہ (صبح 9 بجے تا شام 3 بجے) خود دفتر اسپسٹنٹ کمشنر بالاکوٹ تشریف لا رہے ہیں۔ گھنہول اور سنگڑ کے عوام کو اطلاع دی جاتی ہے کہ وہ اپنی رقم کے چیک وصول کریں۔ بالاکوٹ میں مذکورہ بالا رقم کی ادائیگی کی سہولت صرف بروز جمعہ مورخہ 23 ستمبر 2022 کو مہیا کی جا رہی ہے اسکے بعد ادائیگی ڈی سی آفس ماتسپرہ سے ہی کی جائے گی۔


Additional Deputy Commissioner
Manabera

v. Information of Compensation Payment Through Social Media

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v. Follow up Letter to AC to Complete the Compensation Payment to All Unpaid DPs



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Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Peshawar
Energy & Power Department



No.1063/PEDO/PD Balakot HPP/LA
Dated:16/11/2022

To

The Assistant Commissioner,
Balakot, District Mansehra.

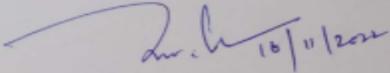
Subject: CONTACT TO THE OUT-STATIONED APs/DPs OF 300 MW BALAKOT HPP

Dear Madam,

Reference to our yesterday's meeting in your good office in the presence of External Resettlement Monitor, it is stated that, BHPP land and non-land assets compensation amount disbursement process is ongoing among the affected/displaced persons by your office. During disbursement of compensation amount of 300 MW Balakot HPP, some of the APs/DPs are unpaid due to known and unknown reasons and your good office is well aware of the fact.

You are once again requested to direct your relevant revenue staff to contact and inform the **out-stationed** DPs/APs in order to collect their due compensation payments which will further expedite the process of land acquisition. It is also worth mentioning that there is no doubt that district administration has helped finding the unpaid Aps/DPs previously and have been currently doing the same practice with PEDO staff.

In this way the unpaid amount will also be disbursed swiftly and the civil works can be started on time. Your prompt support will be highly appreciated in this regard.



**Deputy Director Social & Resettlement,
Balakot HPP.**

Copy to;

- 1). Project Director BHPP
- 2). Team Leader/DTL PMC
- 3). PS to CEO, PEDO
- 4). PS to DC Mansehra



**Deputy Director Social & Resettlement,
Balakot HPP.**

Letter to Khyber Bank for Opening Bank Account of DPs Having Meager Information

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PAKHTUNKHWA ENERGY DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION
 Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Peshawar
 Energy & Power Department

No. 877/PEDO/PD Balakot HPP/LA
 Dated: 27/09/2022

To

The Branch Manager
 Bank of Khyber- (BOK)
 Balakot Bazar, Balakot.

Subject: **Bank Accounts Opening Request for Balakot HPP Affectees**

It is stated that, Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa is starting construction of 300 MW Balakot Hydropower project (BHPP) at Balakot on river Kunhar. The BHPP land and non-land assets compensation amount disbursement process is ongoing among the affected/displaced persons through District Administration office Mansehra.

During disbursement of compensation amount to BHPP affectees, some of the APs/ DPs having meager amount (compensation amount up to Rs.5000 is defined as meager amount) are reluctant to open a bank account as the amount required for opening of bank account is much more than the entitled compensation amount. Therefore, it is requested to open an account for such APs/ DPs at your bank branch to facilitate accordingly.

Looking for Your Favorable Reply,

Adnan
 27/09/2022
Project Director,
Balakot HPP, PEDO.

CC:

1. The Team Leader, PMC/ The Deputy Team Leader, PMC.
2. PS to CEO, PEDO, Peshawar.

/

Project Director,
Balakot HPP, PEDO.

Receiving original letter
A. A. Khan
 27/09/2022
 HEAD OF OPERATIONS
 BALAKOT HPP
 THE BANK OF KHYBER
 155 BALAKOT (5197)

viii. Community Consultation Meetings Report and Attendance Sheet (APs /DPs)

Balakot Hydropower Project

Female Community Consultation Meeting Report

Date: 04-06-2024.

Meeting held with the female affected community of mouza Ghanawal.

In the meeting different issues were discussed, i.e. land compensation and IVS report outcomes.

most of the DPs are received their due compensation but some DPs are not received their due compensations due non-availability in the affected. Through the available DPs in the area, informed the DPs to DP who are not available at site. also informed the female regarding the outcome and will received the VC top-up once the acquittance is prepared.

Balakot Hydropower Project

Female Community Consultation Meeting

Attendance Sheet

Name of Mouza: Ghanawal Date: 04-06-2024.

S. No.	Name	Contact No.	Signature
①	Gal Noorun	-	-
②	Shahida	0345-9026390	-
③	Zaira-un-Nisa	-	-
④	Pabi Shafiqia	0346-9842720	-
⑤	Pabi Zaida	0346-6212529	-
⑥	Ahli Basemait	-	-
⑦	Pabi Rashida	-	-
⑧	Pabi Safara	0346-9327723	-
⑨	Pabi Hafza	0343-5256278	-

ix. Scanned Copies (Sample) of Recorded Documents for APs with Impediments

a. DPs Entitled to Meager Compensation Amount (Mouza Paras)

بالاکوٹ ہائیڈرو پاور پراجیکٹ، بالاکوٹ، سندھ
رقم معمولی ہو (MEAGER AMOUNT CASE)

سرکاری نمبر _____
موضوع / گاہوں کا نام پارس

سورس 25-12-2024
علقہ ماہنامہ پارس

نمبر سر	معاوضہ کی تفصیلات	پراجیکٹ کے اثرات کی قسم	گاہوں میں جس شخص سے رابطہ ہو اس کا نام اور سوشل نمبر	معاوضہ کی تفصیلات	نمبر قبضہ الوصول
13	محمد رفیق	زمین	محمد رفیق	بچاڑ	پارس
14	میر محمد رفیق	زمین	محمد رفیق	بچاڑ	پارس
15	محمد رفیق	زمین	محمد رفیق	بچاڑ	پارس
16	محمد رفیق	زمین	محمد رفیق	بچاڑ	پارس
17	محمد رفیق	زمین	محمد رفیق	بچاڑ	پارس
18	محمد رفیق	زمین	محمد رفیق	بچاڑ	پارس

معلومات حاصل کنندہ: _____
مقام: _____
موضوع: _____

**Deputy Director
Social & Resettlement,
BHPP, PEDO**

b. DPs Entitled to Meager Compensation Amount (Mouza Sangar)

بالاکوٹ ہائیڈرو پاور پراجیکٹ، بالاکوٹ، سندھ
رقم معمولی ہو (MEAGER AMOUNT CASE)

سرکاری نمبر _____
موضوع / گاہوں کا نام سنگر

سورس 25-12-2024
علقہ ماہنامہ پارس

نمبر سر	معاوضہ کی تفصیلات	پراجیکٹ کے اثرات کی قسم	گاہوں میں جس شخص سے رابطہ ہو اس کا نام اور سوشل نمبر	معاوضہ کی تفصیلات	نمبر قبضہ الوصول
1	غلام قادر	زمین	غلام قادر	دستگیر	249
2	محمد رفیق	زمین	محمد رفیق	معاوضہ دار	912
3	محمد رفیق	زمین	محمد رفیق	معاوضہ دار	1425
4	محمد رفیق	زمین	محمد رفیق	معاوضہ دار	1767
5	محمد رفیق	زمین	محمد رفیق	دستگیر	1560
6	محمد رفیق	زمین	محمد رفیق	معاوضہ دار	2870

معلومات حاصل کنندہ: _____
مقام: _____
موضوع: _____

**Member Grievance
Redressal Committee,
BHPP, PEDO**

c. DPs Living Abroad and Other Cities in Pakistan (Mouza Paras)

بلاکٹ ہائیڈرو پاور پراجیکٹ، بلاکٹ، بلاکٹ، انسہرہ
حاضرہ مھس کارکنان جو پرانیٹ ایریا میں نہیں رہتا (دوسرے گاؤں / پاکستان کے دوسرے شہر ملک سے باہر)

بریل نمبر _____
موتخ اکاؤنٹ نمبر _____

صوبہ _____ ضلع _____

نمبر نمبر	حاضرہ مھس کا نام	پرانیٹ کے اثرات کی قسم	گاؤں میں جس مھس سے تعلق ہے اور اس کا نام اور موبائل نمبر	حاضرہ مھس سے رشتہ	حاضرہ مھس کا رجسٹریشن نمبر اور اس کا فون نمبر	نمبر قبضہ الوصول
199	عبدالحکیم شاہ	زمین	محمد شہزاد	خاتم زاد	پاروس	5390
200	محمد سعید شاہ	زمین	رفیقہ بنت شاہ	خاتم زاد	پاروس	6810
201	محمد سعید شاہ	زمین	محمد سعید شاہ	پیر محمد	پاروس	2502
202	محمد سعید شاہ	زمین	ذکر شاہ	پہچا زاد	پاروس	4751
203	محمد سعید شاہ	زمین	محمد سعید شاہ	خاتم زاد	پاروس	1519
204	محمد سعید شاہ	زمین	محمد سعید شاہ	پیر محمد	پاروس	907

معلومات حاصل کنندہ _____ گواہ _____

نم _____ نام _____

رہنما _____

پتہ _____

Deputy Director Social & Resettlement, BHPP, PEDO

d. DPs Living Abroad and Other Cities in Pakistan (Mouza Sangar)

بلاکٹ ہائیڈرو پاور پراجیکٹ، بلاکٹ، بلاکٹ، انسہرہ
حاضرہ مھس کارکنان جو پرانیٹ ایریا میں نہیں رہتا (دوسرے گاؤں / پاکستان کے دوسرے شہر ملک سے باہر)

بریل نمبر _____
موتخ اکاؤنٹ نمبر _____

صوبہ _____ ضلع _____

نمبر نمبر	حاضرہ مھس کا نام	پرانیٹ کے اثرات کی قسم	گاؤں میں جس مھس سے تعلق ہے اور اس کا نام اور موبائل نمبر	حاضرہ مھس سے رشتہ	حاضرہ مھس کا رجسٹریشن نمبر اور اس کا فون نمبر	نمبر قبضہ الوصول
1	محمد سعید شاہ	زمین	محمد سعید شاہ	محمد سعید شاہ	754	754
2	محمد سعید شاہ	زمین	محمد سعید شاہ	محمد سعید شاہ	580	580
3	محمد سعید شاہ	زمین	محمد سعید شاہ	محمد سعید شاہ	1165	1165
4	محمد سعید شاہ	زمین	محمد سعید شاہ	محمد سعید شاہ	1759	1759
5	محمد سعید شاہ	زمین	محمد سعید شاہ	محمد سعید شاہ	295	295

معلومات حاصل کنندہ _____ گواہ _____

نم _____ نام _____

رہنما _____

پتہ _____

Deputy Director Social & Resettlement, BHPP, PEDO

Litigant APs with Pending Title Disputes and Court Cases (Mouza Sangar)



P E D O
PAKHTUNKHWA ENERGY DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION
 Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Peshawar
 Energy & Power Department



اطلاع برائے مالکان ارضیات کورٹ ریفرنسز
 بالا کوٹ ہائیڈرو پاور ترقیاتی پراجیکٹ تحصیل بالا کوٹ، ضلع مانسہرہ

نام: محمد فاروق ولد: مسعود
 نمبر خسرہ: ۱۵۸، ۱۱۳ موضع: منگش

تحصیل بالا کوٹ ضلع مانسہرہ کے ان تمام مالکان ارضیات جن کی زمین ریفرنس نمبر 30/18 ہذا میں سالانہ نے مسئول علیہم کی اراضی و درختان کے معاوضہ کے متعلقہ دعویٰ / ریفرنس درج کیا ہے۔ لہذا اس نوٹس کے ذریعہ آپکو مطلع کیا جاتا ہے کہ آپکی رقم بابت قیمت ارضیات، درختان، تعمیر شدہ مکانات کورٹ ریفرنسز کی وجہ سے District Treasure / Escrow Account کے سرپرہد کیا گیا ہے۔

EA انسراں
 ڈپٹی ڈائریکٹر (سوشل اینڈ ریمڈیویشن)
 Deputy Director
 Social & Resettlement,
 BHPP, PEDDO
 بالا کوٹ ہائیڈرو پاور ترقیاتی پراجیکٹ (ہائیڈرو)

g. Compensation and Allowance Voucher/ Payment Receipts

Voucher Balakot Hydro Power Project Mouza Sangar

Sl. No.	Amount
1	Rs. 100000
2	Rs. 200000
3	Rs. 300000
4	Rs. 400000
5	Rs. 500000
6	Rs. 600000
7	Rs. 700000
8	Rs. 800000
9	Rs. 900000
10	Rs. 1000000
Total	7000000

VOUCHER NO. 7/24

Head of Service Chargeable G-1219
 Head of Service Chargeable G-1219 Deposits Revenue List of Payment
 Original No. 32, Aug No. 280/Aug Deptt. (Deposits) 5009-0204
 Name of Depositor: Deputy Commissioner / District Land Acquisition, Manshera

Deposited Report
 Received Rs. 7,00,000/- on 29-11-2024
 Amount of Rs. 700000/- (Seven Lakh Thousand Three-Hundred Rupees Only) being the amount payable to

Award No. 352
 Dated: 08-07-2022
 In Balakot Hydro Power Project
 Mouza Sangar

Received and Issued

Signature of Deputy Commissioner
 Deputy Commissioner,
 District Land Acquisition,
 Manshera

Treasury Officer

Voucher for Addl. Land for BHPP, Mouza Bela Sacha

Sl. No.	Amount
1	Rs. 1121163
2	Rs. 1619200
Total	1121163

VOUCHER NO. 7/24

Head of Service Chargeable G-1219
 Head of Service Chargeable G-1219 Deposits Revenue List of Payment
 Original No. 32, Aug No. 280/Aug Deptt. (Deposits) 5009-0204
 Name of Depositor: Deputy Commissioner / District Land Acquisition, Manshera

Deposited Report
 Received on 25 day of November, 2024
 The sum of Rs. 1121163/- (Eleven Lakh Two Hundred Thirty-One Thousand Six Hundred Thirteen Rupees Only) being the amount payable to:-

Award No. 374
 Dated: 29-11-2024
 Addl. Land for BHPP
 Mouza Bela Sacha

Received and Entered

Signature of Deputy Commissioner
 Deputy Commissioner,
 District Land Acquisition,
 Manshera

Treasury Officer

Payment of allowances as per Land/Structure Acquaintance Roll of Balakot Hydropower Project, Mouza Paras

S.No	S.No According to Acquaintance Roll of Land/Structure	Head of Household	Father/Husband Name	Settlement	Vulnerability Allowance	Structure Relocation Allowance	Shifting Allowance for Houts	Shifting Allowance for Connetch Structures	Transition Allowance	Business Moving Assistance	House Rent	Sevens Impact Allowance	Business Allowance for 12 months	Electricity Allowance	Household Dislocation / Chula Allowance	Total	Signature / thumb impression of owner	Signature / thumb impression of witness	Signature of (Verification Officer) Deputy Director (S&R) PEDO	Final Signature ADC (G) Manshera
3		Syed Taleem Kanwar	Syed Mashar Shah	Nihari		31,000	31,000		87,000	100,000	83,000		20,000	2,000,000	2,302,000					
4		Muhammad Younis	Afsar Ali Shah	Nihari		31,000	31,000		87,000	100,000	83,000		20,000	2,000,000	2,302,000					

Land of the above APs/ DPs has been acquired in above mention mouza for the construction of BHPP. The Above-mentioned APs/ DPs has received his/ her land/ structural trees compensation amount as per the Acquaintance Roll of Mouza Paras, of District Collector Manshera, therefore he/ she is eligible for the above-mentioned allowance(s).

Prepared by
Asst. Resettlement Expert, PMC

Checked by
Resettlement Expert PMC

Verified by
Deputy Director S & R PEDO

Inheritance Mutation of DPs of Sangar Village

Balakot Hydropower Project Community Consultation Meeting Report

Date: 08-10-24

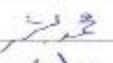
Meeting was held with the affected community of village Sangar.

In the meeting different issue was discussed with the community, i.e., IVS positive amount disbursement and additional mining allowances.

In the response of community queries the team explain regarding the IVS payment and also satisfied the affected community you will pay according to your share.

Balakot Hydropower Project Community Consultation Meeting Attendance Sheet

Name of Mouza: Sangar Date: 08-10-24

S. No.	Name	Contact No.	Signature
1	M. Asif Ali	0345-9565264	
2	M. Tariq	0345-9752204	M. Tariq
3	M. Bactir	0343-8911239	
4	Jamil Ahmad	0342-5677607	Jamil Ahmad
5	Abdullah Qori	0341-9380339	A. Qori
6	Umardeen	0343-8941219	
7	Ayshaad Khan	0841-8897211	
8	Aqeel Khan	0345-9085952	Aqeel Khan
9	Abdul Shakoor	0346-4619521	

Annex. F. Minutes of Meeting with Deputy Commissioner, District Mansehra

Meeting Minutes
Deputy Commissioner Mansehra
September 17, 2024

A detail meeting was held with DC and ADC along with other revenue staff of District Mansehra and PIU's staff members at DC office, Mansehra. The chair welcomed all the officials of the meeting. Following officials were attended the meeting;

1. Deputy Commissioner, District Mansehra
2. Additional Deputy Commissioner, District Mansehra
3. Project Director-PIU of BHPP
4. Deputy Director S & R-PIU
5. Tehsildar Land Acquisition concerned
6. Patwaris concerned
7. Patwari of PIU

The following agenda points and decision were discussed in detail and decisions taken:

- **To Accelerate all types of Compensation Payment to DPs:**
The ADC Mansehra was briefed the forum about the current progress of payments and slow process of payment progress. The DC Mansehra directed the revenue officials and concerned Tehsildar to speed up the progress of payment and including cases of mutation for all sorts of compensation. Also directed to correct the DPs names as per their record on priority basis. Additionally, to facilitate and support all DPs at the time of receiving compensation of land and non-land assets as per the acquaintance roll of mouza concerned.
- **Preparation of acquaintance roll for the additional land**
The DC directed the revenue staff to prepare and expedite the process of additional land acquisition including issuance of notification under sections of LAA 1894 and also prepare the acquaintance roll for the additional land as soon as possible.
- **Preparation of acquaintance roll for the additional Payment under IVS compensation**
The DC Mansehra further directed the officials concerned regarding the preparation of acquaintance roll for the additional payment under IVS compensation amount for all the respective DPs of targeted mouzas of the project for the smooth implementation of the LARP's.
- **Completion of Payment of Public Built-up Properties and its evacuation**
The Deputy Commissioner, Mansehra also directed the officials concerned regarding the pending payment of built-up properties (public and communal) to the respective department and communities and complete the required anomalies and procedures under the law and clear all outstanding payment as soon as possible.
- **Shifting of Graves in the Mouza of Paras**
The DC Mansehra also informed about the shifting of graves in the mouza of Paras. He further replied that a committee was constituted for the shifting of graves under the supervision of revenue officials. Also, the contract of shifting the graves was awarded to the contractor and soon will be mobilized for graves shifting in mouza Paras.
- **Payment of Meager Compensation Amount**

The DC Mansehra, also informed about the slow process of meager compensation amount. The DC directed the revenue department relevant staff to mobilize all the DPs in each mouzas for receiving compensation and their allowances particularly focus on having meager compensation amount of DPs. Also directed to the revenue officials to expedite the payment process in all respective mouzas. The PIU staff ensure that regular support will be provided to the revenue staff to facilitate all DPs in terms of voucher preparation and requisite stationary for documentation.

The meeting was ended with thanks to all officials.

**Dissemination of Independent Valuation Report (IVS) to the Members of
Grievance Redress Committees and Community Members**

Project: Balakot Hydropower Project (300MW)
Venue: PIU Office Balakot
Date: Friday, May 17, 2024

List of Participants:

- | | |
|--------------------------------|--|
| 1. Mr. Aziz Raza: | Project Director BHPP-PIU-PEDO |
| 2. Dr. Naveed Afsar: | Deputy Director (Social & Resettlement), BHPP |
| 3. Mr. Shareef-ud-Din: | Deputy Director (Admin) BHPP |
| 4. Muhammad Shoaib | Anderson Consulting Pvt Ltd. (IVS Consultants Briefed Virtually) |
| 5. Mr. Ashfaq Khokar: | ADB (Joined virtually) |
| 6. Mr. Mushtaq Hussain: | Institutional Support Specialist (ISS-ADB) |
| 7. Ibad Ullah: | Assistant Resettlement Expert (PMC) |
| 8. Waqar Ali Khan: | Patwari BHPP |
| 9. Ghulam Mustafa: | GRC Village level Committee Member (Ghanool) |
| 10. Muhammad Tariq: | GRC Village level Committee Member (Sangar) |
| 11. Arshad Hussain: | GRC Village level Committee Member (Sangar) |
| 12. Muhammad Arshad: | GRC Project level Committee Member (Sangar) |
| 13. Syed Jabran Ali Shah: | GRC Village level Committee Member (Paras) |
| 14. Syed Tanveer Hussain Shah: | GRC Village level Committee Member (Paras) |
| 15. Syed Tahir Hussain Shah: | GRC Village level Committee Member (Paras) |
| 16. Syed Ijaz Shah: | GRC Project level Committee Member (Paras) |
| 17. Syed Azhar Hussain Shah: | Community Member/Affectee from Paras |
| 18. Syed Husnain Shah: | Community Member/Affectee from Paras |
| 19. Asif Ali: | Village Council Chairman & Community Member from Sangar. |
| 20. Rizwan Hussain: | Community Member/Affectee from Sangar |

Summary of Key Discussions of IVS briefing

1. Project Implementation Unit (PIU) of Balakot Hydropower Project organized a hybrid meeting at PIU Balakot Office on May 17, 2024. The purpose of the meeting was to disseminate the results of the IVS report to the GRCs and community members of the affected villages. Project Director BHP welcomed the participants and invited the IVS expert to present the study findings. The meeting started at 11:00am and ended on 12:40pm. Attendance sheet of all participants is attached as annex 1 and photographs of meeting as annex 2. Summary of key discussions and views of GRC members on the IVS report are presented below:
2. The IVS consultant presented the IVS process and the valuation methodology. After collecting the already available data from the client, the consultant surveyed the field and considering the grievances of the community, they visited all the complainant's structures and the affected land. In order to consider all the issues raised by the complainants, all their structures were physically checked on site. After physical verification, data collection, proofs etc., the consultant started organizing and analyzing the data and office work as per their already set rules/policies and international standards.
3. The IVS consultant further added that in resolving the complaints regarding rates of the land and non-land assets, the consultant take into consideration the following:
 - Merit of the complaints/case received for consideration
 - Evidences to take a decision on the complaint
 - Witness statements
 - Observations made on the field
4. After explaining the procedure of the valuation work of the Balakot Hydropower Project, the consultant presented each and every village overall differential to the available GRC members as well to the other community members who were physically present for the virtual briefing in the PIU-BHPP Office. The consultant also informed the participants that the LAC adopts a traditional practice of valuation which is used by them from the past years about the land and non-land assets, however the IVS consultant uses a different way of valuation of assets which is according to international practice and a gap between the prices of the LAC and IVS is identified if any.
5. He further explained that each and every case which was given to them by the PIU-BHPP to verify in the field was 100% checked and physically visited along with the presence of the GRC members/Affectees. After the briefing, the GRC members asked questions about the differential and showed their concerns if there are some deductions from the government side in the IVS report, on which the IVS consultant replied very clearly that the approved report is the one which is formulated by them and the same was approved by ADB and later the same was approved from the Government by the PIU-BHPP, PEDO. Which means that there is no decrease or any cutting from the client PIU-BHPP.

6. In addition to the above, Mr. Ashfaq from ADB clarified "full replacement costs" in light of SPS 2009, although some participants interpreted "replacement cost" according to their own perceptions which may not be considered merely based on wish lists. ADB SPS required valuation by an expert and PEDO thankfully complied with it by engaging an accredited valuation expert to determine replacement cost. He thanked the IVS expert for explaining the valuation process to the participants in an easy-to-understand way further clarifying that the report has been reviewed by ADB and approved by the Government of KPK. Therefore, no further additions or amendments can be made to the report.

7. IVS expert also conducted a detailed due diligence of the awarded prices by crosschecking the rates with the real market value to work out any gaps in the "rates" for PEDO to consider bridging the gaps through top up payments to eligible APs. The consultant then informed all the participants that they found some gap in land rates which as per IVS is the differential and that this gap / difference can be filled by paying the differential amount which is given in the final summary.

8. After presenting the study findings and answering the questions of the GRC and community members, PD-BHP and the IVS expert asked them about their satisfaction of the valuation process. All GRC and community members thanked PIU for listening to their concerns and demands and taking them into consideration for practical solutions. They expressed satisfaction on the conduct of the study and its results. However, they requested PEDO/PIU and ADB for continued support and sympathetic approach to their concerns, even though some concerns may look childish.

Conclusion:

9. After the detailed presentation of the study findings and answering the questions of the participants, all the GRC and community members expressed their satisfaction on the study findings and they requested PIU for early release of payment of differential. The PD BHP clarified to them that payment of differential will be paid through the two "Addendums of LARP 1 and 2" after approval of the same by ADB. Payments will be made through the Land Acquisition Collector, Office of the Deputy Commissioner, Mansehra.

Annexure G: Notice to Government Department for the Collection of Compensation Payment



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PAKHTUNKHWA ENERGY DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION
Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Peshawar



No. 355-359/PEDO/PD/Balakot HPP/2023-24
Dated: Peshawar the 04/09/2023

Reminder-I

To

District Health Officer
District Mansehra

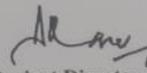
Subject: COLLECTION OF PAYMENT OF HEALTH FACILITY UNDER BALAKOT HYDROPOWER PROJECT

Reference to our letter no. 1402/PEDO/PD/Balakot HPP dated 7th Feb. 2023, your office was requested to collect your due payment however, upon inquiry from the Revenue department (Land Acquisition Collector, Mansehra) the said amount is still pending in the district treasury account.

An attention is brought into your notice that your due amount is awaiting in the LAC account which needs to be withdrawn and the health facility needs to be shifted on immediate basis in the better interest of the project.

It is also to bring into your notice that project activities will be delayed if the said above facility is not shifted on time.

Your proactive engagement in this matter will play a pivotal role in ensuring the timely relocation of the health facility to the nearby area.



04/09/2023
Project Director,
Balakot HPP,
PEDO, Peshawar.

Copy forwarded for information to:

1. The Deputy Commissioner, Mansehra.
2. The Assistant Commissioner, Balakot.
3. PS to CEO, PEDO, Peshawar.
4. The Team Leader/Deputy Team Leader, PMC, BHPP.



Project Director,
Balakot HPP,
PEDO, Peshawar.

108-PEDO House, 38 B-2, Phase-V, Hayatabad, Peshawar. Tel: 091-9217463, Fax: 091-9217464



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No. 350-54/PEDO/PD/Balakot HPP/2023-24

Dated: Peshawar the 04/09/2023

To

1. District Education Officer (Male)
District Manshra
2. District Education Officer (Female)
District Manshra

Reminder-I

Subject: COLLECTION OF PAYMENT FOR SCHOOLS UNDER BALAKOT HYDROPOWER PROJECT

Reference to our letter no. 1403/PEDO/PD/Balakot HPP dated 7th Feb. 2023, your office was requested to collect your due payment however, upon inquiry from the Revenue department (Land Acquisition Collector, Mansehra) the said amount is still pending in the district treasury account.

An attention is brought into your notice that your due amount is awaiting in the LAC account which needs to be withdrawn and schools needs to be shifted on immediate basis in the better interest of the project.

It is also to bring into your notice that project activities will be delayed if the said above facility is not shifted on time.

Your proactive engagement in this matter will play a pivotal role in ensuring the timely relocation of the schools to the nearby area.

[Signature]
 Project Director,
 Balakot HPP,
 PEDO, Peshawar.

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 Project Director,
 Balakot HPP,
 PEDO, Peshawar.



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Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Peshawar



No. 1403/PEDO/PD/Balakot HPP
 Dated: Peshawar the 07/02/2023

To

1. District Education Officer (Male)
District Mansehra
2. District Education Officer (Female)
District Mansehra

Subject: **COLLECTION OF PAYMENT**

We have done the payment to the Land Acquisition Collector (LAC) Mansehra for the existing Schools that comes under the Balakot Hydropower Project. It is therefore, you are kindly requested to collect your due amount in order to shift the health facility in the nearby area.

o/c

Shaw
 Project Director,
 Balakot HPP,
 PEDO, Peshawar. 07/02/2023

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4. The TL, PMC, BHPP.

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Project Director,
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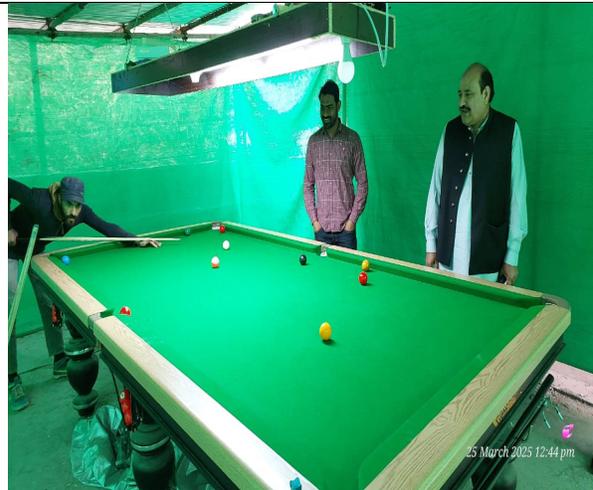
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Meeting with the DPs of the Bela Sacha and Paras



Visiting the living room of the camp site



Workers are playing snooker in the labor camp.



Meeting GRC members in Sangar



Visiting the canteen in the camp site



A meeting conducted with affected community members also attended by Tehsildars concerned.



Meeting with ADC Mansehra regarding various LARP's related issues.



A newly appointed AC of Balakot briefed about the Project.



ADB's Mission meeting with the project staff.