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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
SMR	:	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 entitlement's 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 Displacement	Meaning relocation, loss of residential land, or loss of shelter a result of (i) 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 (SMR):** This is the eight SMR 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 each sectional LARPs (sectional LARP of Ghanool and Sangar and the sectional LARP of Bela Sacha and Paras) and the two Addendums LARPs for the implementation period covering July to December 2025. The EMC validated the implementation progress based on the PIUs internal SSMR of July – December 2025 and verification of relevant records and field visits.

3. **Monitoring Methodology:** In order to maintain 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 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 consultations with 154 displaced persons (DPs) in the four affected villages. Of these, 49 DPs were consulted through in-person meetings, while 105 DPs were consulted remotely, as many of them work in other cities during daytime and were not available for in-person meetings. Considering these constraints, PIU agreed with EMC in holding remote consultations with the DPs not available for in-person meetings. Hence, of the total 154 DPs consulted, 97 DPs confirmed that they had received full compensation payments in accordance with the approved sectional LARPs. However, the remaining 57 DPs experienced delays in payment, primarily due to legal and administrative issues (inheritance mutations and family disputes seeking decision by the courts of law) that are beyond PEDO’s power and control to address unilaterally.

5. **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.

6. In addition to the above LAR impacts, the number of actual AHs losing land (3,557 AHs) increased by 138 AHs (with the new total being $3,557+138=3695$) 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 because of an individual AH counted multiple times in accordance with the types of impacts to the assets he/she 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.

7. **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 has 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.

8. **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.

9. **Livelihood Restoration Plan (LRP):** Project-based employment related to Output-4 of the project will be supported through the Livelihood Restoration Plan (LRP). This includes facilitation of relevant training programs for DPs), particularly unemployed youth including both men and women. The proposed training areas include agricultural production, livestock rearing, beekeeping, fish farming and linkages with microfinance institutions, or other skills based on local needs, with the objective of improving skills and strengthening livelihood opportunities during project implementation. All such training activities, as included in the LRP of BHPP, will be conducted by the NGO in April 2026. Consultations with the communities living in the four affected villages have already been completed and the NGO has assured that an initial batch of 150 persons will be trained, with at least 50 participants being women. ERM recommends that the PIU closely monitor the implementation of these training activities and report progress in the internal Social Monitoring Reports (SMR), which will subsequently be validated through the External Monitoring Report (EMR) scheduled for submission in July 2026.

12. **Addendum LARP 1:** As per approved Addendum of 1st sectional LARP's comprising Mouza Ghanool and Sangar, the total number of DPs as per IVS acquaintance roll is 1152 under

IVS compensation amount is PKR 13.90 million of the same acquiring land. Additionally, 21 DPs are eligible for different admissible allowances against the payable amount of PKR 3.78 million.

13. **Addendum LARP 2: Additional Land Acquisition and Associated Impacts:** The PIU acquired 15.4 kanals of additional private land (approximately 1.925 acres) located at the right-side abutment of the dam in Mouza Bela Sacha to support 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 to 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

14. **Status of Implementation of Approved LARP Addendums:** The Addendum LARP 1 of Mouza Ghanool and Sangar has 1152 DPs as per "IVS acquaintance roll" eligible to receive a total of PKR 13.90 million as IVS differential to be paid for the acquired land. However, by end of December 2025, no payments have been made to these DPs. This is primarily due to the meagre compensation amounts payable to most DPs, which has resulted in limited interest among them in collecting such minor payments. Notwithstanding this, 9 out of the 21 DPs (42.85%) eligible for additional or missing allowances have received their payments. A total of PKR 3.34 million has been disbursed out of the total PKR 3.78 million, representing 88.45% of the amount due. The remaining 12 DPs, with outstanding payments amounting to PKR 0.44 million, have not yet received their allowances mainly because they are currently away from the village. These individuals have been informed through their relatives and neighbors, and the pending additional or missing allowances will be disbursed once they return to the village.

15. Similarly, under the approved Addendum to the 2nd sectional LARPs covering Mouza Bela Sacha and Paras, the total number of displaced persons (DPs) recorded in the IVS acquaintance roll is 1,494, with a total IVS compensation amount of PKR 272.46 million for the acquired land. As of the reporting period, PKR 140.51 million (51.57%) of the total payable IVS land compensation amount has been disbursed to 782 out of 1,494 DPs (52.34%), all located in Mouza Paras. In addition, under additional land compensation, an amount of PKR 0.0086 million has been paid to 1 out of 91 DPs in Mouza Bela Sacha, against the total payable amount of PKR 0.0922 million. The slow progress in disbursement is primarily due to the very small compensation amounts payable to most of the remaining DPs, resulting in limited interest in collecting such minor payments. Similarly, compensation for fruit trees has been fully disbursed, with 1 DP out of 1 (100%) receiving PKR 0.162 million, which represents 100% of the payable amount. Furthermore, compensation for affected built-up property (five structures) under additional land has been fully paid to 1 DP, amounting to PKR 11.061 million, representing 100% of the total payable amount. This payment was made in Mouza Bela Sacha under the Addendum to the 2nd sectional LARP related to the additional land acquired for the BHPP. Consequently, under the approved addendum of the 2nd sectional LARP, 89 out of 285 DPs (31.23%) have received payments for additional or missing admissible allowances, amounting to PKR 118.65 million (92.4%) of the total payable PKR 128.43 million. The remaining 196 DPs, with pending payments amounting to PKR 9.78 million, have not yet received their allowances mainly because they are currently away from the village. These DPs have already been informed through their relatives

and neighbours, and the pending additional or missing allowances will be disbursed once they return to the village. The ERM recommends that PIU must continue its efforts to identify the absentee DPs to complete the 100% payment to all DPs. The process must be monitored and reported in the internal SMR to be submitted in July 2026.

16. **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 90% of the total compensation amount has been disbursed to the DPs, only 0.04% increase compared to previous period. In terms of category-wise disbursement:

- **Land compensation** increased from Rs. 410.44 million in the previous reporting period to Rs. 410.60 million in the current reporting period, representing a 0.04% increase in disbursement. Similarly, the number of DPs receiving land compensation increased from 1,938 to 1,947, reflecting a 0.46% increase.
- **Tree compensation** No increase was recorded in tree compensation disbursement, as no payments were made during the reporting period.
- **Structure compensation** has been fully disbursed, maintaining 100% disbursement to eligible DPs as reported in the previous period.
- Allowance payments remain unchanged from the previous reporting period, as no payments were made during the current reporting period.

17. **Compensation Disbursement as per 1st Sectional LARP:** Out of a total of 1,874 Affected Households (AHs), 1,020 AHs have received land compensation totaling PKR 113.65 million, out of the total payable amount of PKR 141.19 million. The remaining PKR 27.54 million is yet to be disbursed to 854 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, 980 AHs have received PKR 27.41 million, while PKR 5.3 million is pending for 882 AHs because 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 59.502 million of the total PKR 59.565 million, as of the

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

Impact Category	Total DPs and Payable Payment				Progress During January – June 2025				Progress During July – December 2025			
	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	3,557	138	3,695	410.44	157.25	1,938	1,757	410.6	157.09	1,947	1,748
Trees Compensation	81.8	3,348	161	3,509	72.25	9.56	1,449	2,060	72.25	9.56	1,449	2,060
Built up area*	1,498.9	438	0	438	1,395.8	103.16	438	0	1395.8	103.16	438	0
Allowances	527.8	325	0	325	523.116	4.663	286	39	523.116	4.663	286	39

* 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.

reporting period ending December 2025. The remaining one AH, with unpaid allowances amounting to PKR 0.63 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), 927 AHs have received land compensation amounting to PKR 296.95 million, out of the total payable amount of PKR 426.5 million. The remaining PKR 129.55 million is pending for 894 AHs, primarily due to legal and administrative impediments. Regarding compensation for trees, the total payable amount is PKR 49.1 million, intended for 1,647 AHs. To date, 469 AHs have received PKR 44.84 million, while PKR 4.26 million remains pending for 1,178 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, 248 AHs (87%) out of 286 AHs have been paid PKR 463.614 million, which constitutes 99% of the total payable amount of PKR 468.214 million, as of December 31, 2025. The remaining 38 AHs, with outstanding allowances totaling PKR 4.6 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.

19. **Compensation payments that are Impeded due to legal and administrative reasons:** Overall, the total number of delayed DPs decreased from 1,757 in the previous report to 1,748 in the current reporting period, reflecting a net reduction of 9 cases. By category, the largest share of delays remains related to meager compensation amounts, affecting 1,025 DPs. As there has been no change in this category between the two reporting periods, it continues to be the principal unresolved bottleneck. The second largest category, living out of village and untraceable, declined from 275 to 266 DPs, showing a reduction of 9 cases during the reporting period. Other categories of impediments, including DPs out of city, inheritance mutation issues, DPs out of country, title disputes/court cases, and juvenile DPs (under 18 years of age), remain unchanged, as presented in Table ES-2 below. Similarly, no progress has been made with regard to compensation for common land, and its status has remained unchanged since the start of the project. The PIU is therefore advised to engage more proactively with the Revenue Department to facilitate updating the acquaintance roll. In case of staffing constraints within the Revenue Department, the PIU may consider deploying its own staff to work in coordination with revenue officials to identify the actual number of affected households (AHs) and their respective land shares for compensation purposes. It is strongly recommended that the PIU demonstrate measurable progress on this matter in the next reporting period, scheduled for July 2026.

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

S. No.	Category of Causing Delay	Number of DPs		
		Previous Reporting Period	Current Reporting Period	Difference
1	Inheritance mutation issues	172	172	0
2	Meager Amount compensation	1,025	1,025	0
3	DPs out of city	188	188	0
4	Living out of village & untraceable	275	266	09
5	DPs out of Country	50	50	0
6	Title Dispute/ Court Cases	43	43	0
7	DPs Juvenile (under the age of 18)	4	4	0

S. No.	Category of Causing Delay	Number of DPs		
		Previous Reporting Period	Current Reporting Period	Difference
8	Common land ¹	0	0	0
	Total	1,757	1,748	09

20. **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 each 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 504 unpaid DPs in affected mouzas are residing out of city/village including 50 are working abroad. The addresses and contact numbers of 504 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

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

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 35 consultation meetings were held in the project area during the reporting period and a total of 362 (264 males and 98 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 933 women have received their compensation while the payment of remaining women (839) is pending owing to the legal and administrative impediments. The proportion of payments made to females has risen to 4% 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.

21. **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, 61 complaints have been registered, including 2 complaints registered during the reporting period, and 60 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.

22. **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.

23. **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.

24. **Status of Payment for IVS-Assessed Compensation:** As of the end of the reporting period for the addendum -1, 9 of total 21 DPs (42.85%) have been paid for all their additional/missing admissible allowances, amounting PKR 3.34 million of total PKR 3.78 million (88.45%). The 12 unpaid DPs of additional/missing allowances amounting to PKR 0.44 million are undisbursed and their payment is in progress. In relation to the Addendum to the 2nd Sectional LARP, 89 of total 285 DPs (31.23%) have been paid for all their additional/missing admissible allowances amounting to PKR 118.65 million (92.4%) of total payable PKR 128.43 million. The 196 unpaid DPs of additional/missing allowances amounting PKR 9.78 million are undisbursed mainly because DPs are out of village. The remaining compensation payments are currently under process. The PIU has assured that all pending disbursements will be completed by June 2026, and the progress will be reported in the next Semi-Annual Social Monitoring Report, scheduled for submission in July 2026.

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 8th 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 2025. The EMC validated the implementation progress based on the PIUs internal SASMR of July– December 2025 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 AHs (by types of impacts) is

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.

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 has 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	Powerhouse, 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	21.95	126	126	41	0	167

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				As per approved LARP	Additional No. of AHs due to Inheritance Mutation (as per LARP implementation)		
	Tunnel and Access Road to Diversion/ Sediment By-Pass Tunnel						
Paras	Dam Left Side Abutment, Reservoir, Intake of Headrace Tunnel and Access Road to Dam Crest	98.42	1,640	1,640	14	0	1,654
Total		226.42	3,557	3,557	138	0	3,695

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
	Sangar	Fruit Trees	48	5	53	876
		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
		Private (Individual)	366	12	0	0	0	366
	Paras	Private (Communal)	0	0	2	2	0	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

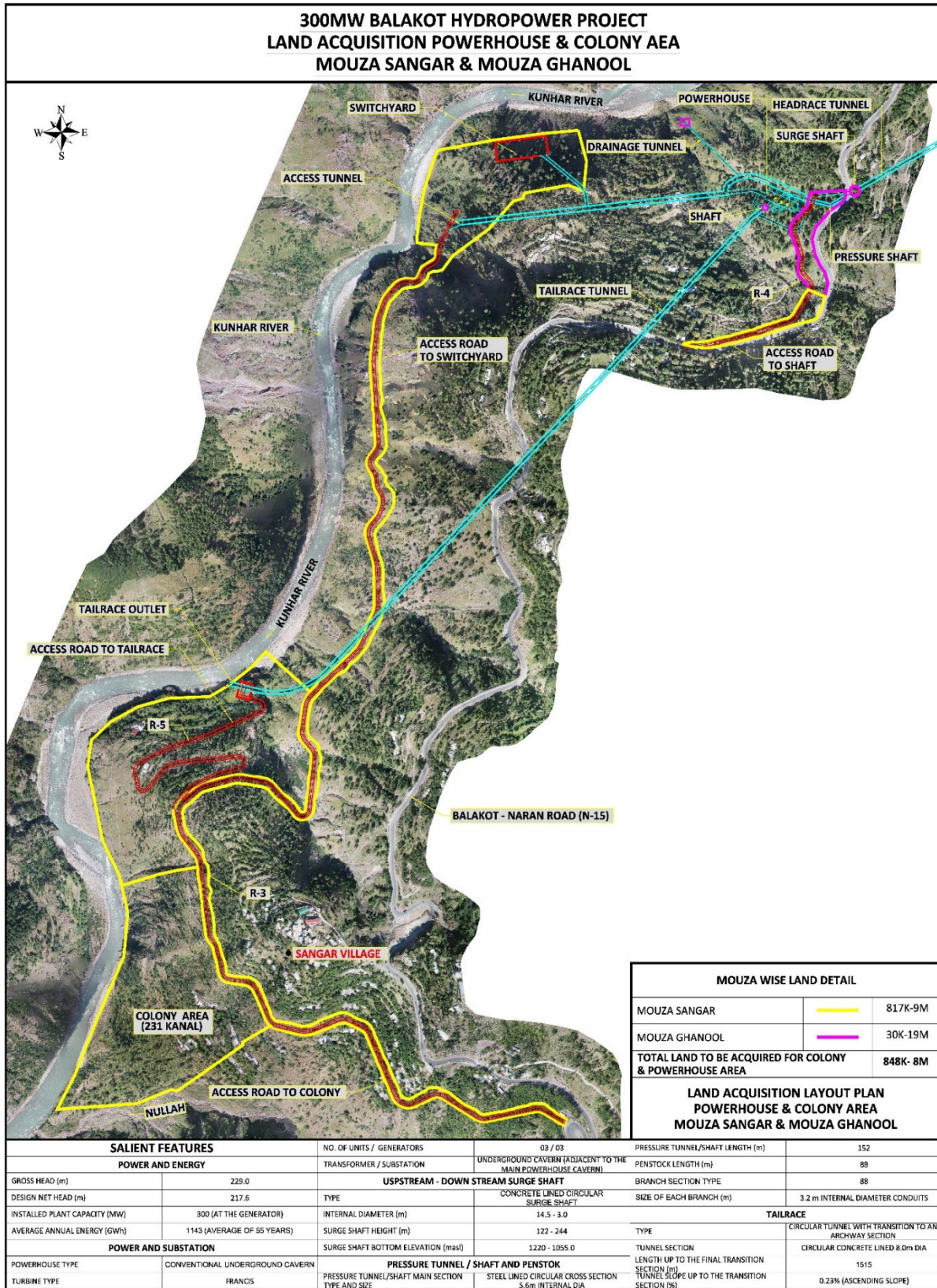
particular focus on unemployed youth and women, aiming to restore and strengthen affected livelihoods. The consultant NGO has been mobilized since September 7, 2023, in the project-affected areas. The draft LRP has been submitted to ADB, which has since provided comments for revision. The LRP after revision was submitted and approved by ADB on April 24, 2025.

10. Under Output-4, the project will be supported through the Livelihood Restoration Plan (LRP). This includes facilitation of relevant training programmes for displaced persons (DPs), particularly unemployed youth including both men and women. The proposed training areas include agricultural production, livestock rearing, beekeeping, fish farming and linkages with microfinance institutions, or other skills based on local needs, with the objective of improving skills and strengthening livelihood opportunities during project implementation. All such training activities, as included in the LRP of BHPP, will be conducted by the NGO in April 2026. Consultations with local communities have already been completed, and the NGO has assured that an initial batch of 150 persons will be trained, with at least 50 participants being women. ERM recommends that the PIU closely monitor the implementation of these training activities and report progress in the internal Social Monitoring Reports (SMR), which will subsequently be validated through the External Monitoring Report (EMR) scheduled for submission in July 2026.

11. **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.

12. 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 1.1: Balakot Hydropower Project



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 consultations with 154 displaced persons (DPs) across the four affected villages. Of these, 49 DPs were consulted through face-to-face meetings, while 105 DPs were consulted remotely, as many of them work in other cities during daytime and were not available for in-person meetings. Considering these constraints and in consultation with the PIU, remote consultations were undertaken. Out of the 154 contacted DPs, 97 DPs confirmed that they had received full compensation payments in accordance with the approved sectional LARPs. The remaining 57 DPs have experienced delays in payment, primarily due to legal and administrative issues, including pending inheritance mutations and family disputes, with some cases currently under consideration in 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 2025 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 154 DPs. These consultation meetings (virtual and in person) were held with the DPs of the project area on February 27 to March 05, 2026 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 ES-1 (below) provides a summary of the overall status of compensation disbursement, showing that 90% of the total compensation amount has been disbursed to the DPs, only 0.04% increase compared to previous period. In terms of category-wise disbursement:

- **Land compensation** increased from Rs. 410.44 million in the previous reporting period to Rs. 410.60 million in the current reporting period, representing a 0.04% increase in disbursement. Similarly, the number of DPs receiving land compensation increased from 1,938 to 1,947, reflecting a 0.46% increase.
- **Tree compensation** No increase was recorded in tree compensation disbursement, as no payments were made during the reporting period.
- **Structure compensation** has been fully disbursed, maintaining 100% disbursement to eligible DPs as reported in the previous period.
- Allowance payments remain unchanged from the previous reporting period, as no payments were made during the current reporting period.

17. **Compensation Disbursement as per 2nd Sectional LARP:** Out of a total of 1,821 Affected Households (AHs), 927 AHs have received land compensation amounting to PKR 296.95 million, out of the total payable amount of PKR 426.5 million. The remaining PKR 129.55 million is pending for 894 AHs, primarily due to legal and administrative impediments. Regarding compensation for trees, the total payable amount is PKR 49.1 million, intended for 1,647 AHs. To date, 469 AHs have received PKR 44.84 million, while PKR 4.26 million remains pending for 1,178 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, 248 AHs (87%) out of 286 AHs have been paid PKR 463.614 million, which constitutes 99% of the total payable amount of PKR 468.214 million, as of December 31, 2025. The remaining 38

AHs, with outstanding allowances totaling PKR 4.6 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.

18. **Status of Implementation of Approved LARP Addendums:** Under the approved Addendum to the 1st sectional LARPs covering Mouza Ghanool and Sangar, the total number of displaced persons (DPs) recorded in the IVS acquaintance roll is 1,152, with a total IVS compensation amount of PKR 13.90 million for the acquired land. However, as of the end of the reporting period, no payments have been made to these DPs. This is primarily due to the meagre compensation amounts payable to most DPs, which has resulted in limited interest among them in collecting such minor payments. Notwithstanding this, 9 out of the 21 DPs (42.85%) eligible for additional or missing allowances have received their payments. A total of PKR 3.34 million has been disbursed out of the total PKR 3.78 million, representing 88.45% of the amount due. The remaining 12 DPs, with outstanding payments amounting to PKR 0.44 million, have not yet received their allowances mainly because they are currently away from the village. These individuals have been informed through their relatives and neighbours, and the pending additional or missing allowances will be disbursed once they return to the village.

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

Impact Category	Total DPs and Payable Payment				Progress During January – June 2025				Progress During July – December 2025			
	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	410.44	157.25	1938	1757	410.6	157.09	1947	1748
Trees Compensation	81.8	3348	161	3509	72.25	9.56	1449	2060	72.25	9.56	1449	2060
Built up area*	1498.9	438	0	438	1395.8	103.16	438	0	1395.8	103.16	438	0
Allowances	527.8	325	0	325	523.116	4.663	286	39	523.116	4.663	286	39

* 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.

19. Similarly, under the approved Addendum to the 2nd sectional LARPs covering Mouza Bela Sacha and Paras, the total number of displaced persons (DPs) recorded in the IVS acquaintance roll is 1,494, with a total IVS compensation amount of PKR 272.46 million for the acquired land. As of the reporting period, PKR 140.51 million (51.57%) of the total payable IVS land compensation amount has been disbursed to 782 out of 1,494 DPs (52.34%), all located in Mouza Paras. In addition, under additional land compensation, an amount of PKR 0.0086 million has been paid to 1 out of 91 DPs in Mouza Bela Sacha, against the total payable amount of PKR 0.0922 million. The slow progress in disbursement is primarily due to the very small compensation amounts payable to most of the remaining DPs, resulting in limited interest in collecting such minor payments.

20. Similarly, compensation for fruit trees has been fully disbursed, with 1 DP out of 1 (100%) receiving PKR 0.162 million, which represents 100% of the payable amount. Furthermore, compensation for affected built-up property (five structures) under additional land has been fully paid to 1 DP, amounting to PKR 11.061 million, representing 100% of the total payable amount. This payment was made in Mouza Bela Sacha under the Addendum to the 2nd sectional LARP related to the additional land acquired for the BHPP. Consequently, under the approved addendum

of the 2nd sectional LARP, 89 out of 285 DPs (31.23%) have received payments for additional or missing admissible allowances, amounting to PKR 118.65 million (92.4%) of the total payable PKR 128.43 million. The remaining 196 DPs, with pending payments amounting to PKR 9.78 million, have not yet received their allowances mainly because they are currently away from the village. These DPs have already been informed through their relatives and neighbours, and the pending additional or missing allowances will be disbursed once they return to the village. The ERM recommends that PIU must continue its efforts to identify the absentee DPs to complete the 100% payment to all DPs. The process must be monitored and reported in the internal SMR to be submitted in July 2026.

21. **Compensation payments that are Impeded due to legal and administrative reasons:** Overall, the total number of delayed DPs decreased from 1,757 in the previous report to 1,748 in the current reporting period, reflecting a net reduction of 9 cases. By category, the largest share of delays remains related to meager compensation amounts, affecting 1,025 DPs. As there has been no change in this category between the two reporting periods, it continues to be the principal unresolved bottleneck. The second largest category, living out of village and untraceable, declined from 275 to 266 DPs, showing a reduction of 9 cases during the reporting period. Other categories of impediments, including DPs out of city, inheritance mutation issues, DPs out of country, title disputes/court cases, and juvenile DPs (under 18 years of age), remain unchanged, as presented in Table 3-2 below. Similarly, no progress has been made with regard to compensation for common land, and its status has remained unchanged since the start of the project. The PIU is therefore advised to engage more proactively with the Revenue Department to facilitate updating the acquaintance roll. In case of staffing constraints within the Revenue Department, the PIU may consider deploying its own staff to work in coordination with revenue officials to identify the actual number of affected households (AHs) and their respective land shares for compensation purposes. It is strongly recommended that the PIU demonstrate measurable progress on this matter in the next reporting period, scheduled for July 2026.

Table 3.1: Compensation payments that are Impeded due to legal and administrative reasons

S. No.	Category of Causing Delay	Previous Reporting Period (January – June 2025)		Reporting Period (July–December 2025)		Remarks and Recommendations
		AHs	Compensation Amount (Rs.)	AHs	Compensation Amount (Rs)	
1	Inheritance mutation issues	172	16,199,720	172	16,199,720	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None of the progress reported compared to previous reporting period (January – June 2025). 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	1,025	937,156	1,025	937,156	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None of the progress is reported during the reporting period as DPs were not paid during the reporting period. 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 accounts for DPs to waive out the condition of prior depositing amount (Annex-E). PIU must assist the DPs in providing pick and drop from home to bank and vice versa for opening their bank account. PIU also reports how many accounts of DPs of meagre amount were opened in the forthcoming SASMR (Internal) to be submitted in July 2026.
3	DPs out of city	188	53,110,477	188	53,110,477	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None of the Progress reported during the reporting period. These DPs have been migrated/ out of city in Pakistan for better work opportunities. Even though they were all informed by their relatives regarding compensation to collect due compensation amount but neither they show 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). PIU continues its efforts to identify the DPs, and process must monitor and reported in the forthcoming SMR to be expected in July 2026.

S. No.	Category of Causing Delay	Previous Reporting Period (January – June 2025)		Reporting Period (July–December 2025)		Remarks and Recommendations
		AHs	Compensation Amount (Rs.)	AHs	Compensation Amount (Rs)	
4	Living out of village & untraceable	275	9,835,051	266	6,833,652	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Progress is made as 9 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 2026.
5	DPs out of Country	50	5,501,581	50	5,501,581	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None of the progress reported compared to previous period. These DPs are working abroad mostly in Middle East and PIU approached them through their relatives and will receive the payment as they come back (Annex E). PIU continues its efforts to identify the DPs and process must be monitored and reported in the forthcoming SMR to be expected in July 2026.
6	Title Dispute/ Court Cases	43	4,211,024	43	4,211,024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No progress is reported during the reporting period. (July – December 2025). 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 2026.
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

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		AHs	Compensation Amount (Rs.)	AHs	Compensation Amount (Rs)	
						of procedure for obtaining the guardian certificate.
8	Common land ³	-	67,454,450		67,454,450	<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 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-vis total farm land in the village. 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 2026.
Total		1,757	157,256,888	1,748	157,099,933	Overall, the progress is made as 9 DPs (out of 1748) 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

22. 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 compensation claims and delivering compensation of the displaced persons.

³ The number of DPs remains unknown as the revenue department has not yet concluded the assessment process for communal land.

4.1.1 Project Steering Committee

23. 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

24. 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 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

25. 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

26. 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 35 consultation meetings were held in the project area during the reporting period and a total of 362 (264 males and 98 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 933 women have received their compensation while the payment of remaining women (839) is pending owing to the legal and administrative impediments. The proportion of payments made to females has risen to 4%

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.

27. EMC also observed that the PIU conducted 15 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.

28. 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.

29. 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/>

30. 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 2026.

31. EMC's findings revealed that, during the reporting period, consultations were held with only 98 women DPs, even though only 53% of the women (933 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

32. A total of 154 DPs contacted during the reporting period; From the total, 97 DPs confirmed that they had received full compensation payments in accordance with the approved sectional LARPs. The remaining 57 DPs have experienced delays in payment, primarily due to legal and administrative issues, including pending inheritance mutations and family disputes, with some cases currently under consideration in courts of law. 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

o.	icators	Respondents	
		No.	%
1	us of awareness regarding the compensation payment	136	88
2	satisfaction with the land compensation assessment	62	40
3	received their compensation payment	97	63
4	anizing consultation meetings	52	34
5	reiness level about the GRM	48	31

33. Table provides an overview of key findings. It's worth noting that 88% of the surveyed DPs were aware of the amount of compensation, 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, 63% of the contacted DPs have received their compensation. In terms of how the compensation amount is utilized, 62% of DPs reported that the amount was insufficient and had to be used for their routine daily expenses. Additionally, 20% mentioned that the compensation was used to secure alternative housing while 18% are waiting for differential payments through IVS to effectively utilize the compensation. It's noteworthy that 40% of the DPs expressed satisfaction with the land compensation assessment while the majority (60%) still showed concern even though IVS was 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 2026. Regarding consultation meetings, 34% 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), 31% of the DPs visited were aware of its existence and functioning within the project area.

6 Grievance Redress Mechanism

34. Since inception, a total of 61 applications, concerns and demands have been registered with the GRC and received by the PIU from affected communities. Two cases have been reported (through ADB via email) in the reporting period as discussed below in table 6.1. Overall, from the total, 60 cases have been resolved amicably with the complainants' consent, including:

(i) 2 cases related to pending labor wages, (ii) 28 cases concerning additional or missing allowances, (iii) 10 cases related to internal family disputes over LARP allowances, (iv) 1 case regarding partial assessment of a built-up property, (v) 5 cases demanding business allowances, (vi) 3 cases objecting to the GRC members of the village Paras GRC, and (vii) 1 case related to damage to a material mixing machine by the local administration. In addition, 4 cases were registered directly through the GRC, and 2 cases were received by the PIU from ADB via email. During the reporting period, the PIU received 5 complaints, applications or demands. Of these, 4 were resolved through the GRC, while 1 case remains pending and has been forwarded to the project-level GRC for resolution (Table 6.2).

Table 6.1: Nature and Status of the Complaints (July – December 2025)

S. No.	Detail of Grievances	Category of Complaints/ Grievances		Resolved/ being resolved	Remarks/ Outcome
		PIU/ GRM	Via Email to ADB		
1	An application/ request for shop business allowance.	-	1	1	Detail meeting conducted with the applicants and considered under the approved eligibility criteria and the process of admissible allowances disbursement will be initiated till end of March 2026.
2	An application/ request for Dislocation/Chula allowance.	-	1	1	Detail meeting was conducted with the applicants and based on the eligibility criteria the complaint was closed as they were not qualifying the approved criteria.
Total		-	2	2	

Table 6.2: Nature and Status of the Complaints (All)

S. No.	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 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

S. No.	Nature of Complaints	Reported Complaints (No)	Number of complaints resolved	Remarks
				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	
12	Additional Demands for already assessed structures	2	2	
13	Additional claim/ demands for Chulla Allowance	1	1	
14	An application regarding request/ demands for IVS rates of bill of quantity.	1	1	The outcomes of IVS study finding already have been shared and disclosed on May 17, 2024 in a virtual meeting to respective GRC and community members and the matter has been closed and communicated to the applicants.
15	Additional demands/ request for additional business allowance.	1	1	The applicant has been informed through written letter to provide relevant documents of their business as per approved criteria but the applicant did not provide any documentary proof for justification.
Total		59	58	

35. 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

36. 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.

37. Besides, two complaints submitted to ADB were received during the reporting period. One related to business allowance and the other concerned the chulha allowance. Both cases were thoroughly investigated by the PIU and, as they did not meet the eligibility criteria, were closed.

7. Other Safeguard Aspects

7.1 Short-Term Project Based Employment

38. 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.

39. According to the contractor's records as reported by PIU, the project's contractors and consultant-NGO have engaged a total of 2,643 individuals for short-term employment, encompassing both skilled and unskilled labor. Among this workforce, 60% (equivalent to 1,692 out of the total 2,643) have been recruited from the directly affected project area. 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 Unskilled Working Laborers

Contractors/ Consultants/NGO	Skilled Labor	Unskilled Labor	Total
Project Management Consultants/ PIU	18	22	40
Consultant-NGO	5	0	5

Contractors/ Consultants/NGO	Skilled Labor	Unskilled Labor	Total
Contractors (Local)	671	1,021	1,692
Contractors (Non-Local)	539	367	906
Total	1,233	1,410	2,643

Source: IMR for July – December 2025

7.2 Compliance with the Core Labor Standards

40. 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.

8. Conclusion and Recommendation

8.1 Conclusions

41. 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:

- (i) **Compensation Payment (LARP):** compensation disbursement under both sectional LARPs shows that 90% of the total compensation amount has been disbursed to displaced persons (DPs), reflecting only a marginal increase of 0.04% compared with the previous reporting period. In category-wise terms, land compensation increased from Rs. 410.44 million in the previous period to Rs. 410.60 million in the current period, also representing a 0.04% increase, while the number of DPs receiving land compensation rose from 1,938 to 1,947, showing a 0.46% increase. No increase was recorded in tree compensation, as no payments were made during the reporting period. Structure compensation remains fully disbursed at 100% to all eligible DPs, unchanged from the previous period. Likewise, allowance payments remained unchanged, as no additional payments were made during the current reporting period.
- (ii) **Compensation Payment (Addendums):** By the end of the reporting period as per addendum 1, a total of PKR 3.34 million out of PKR 3.78 million has been disbursed for allowances, representing 88.45% of the amount due, while the remaining PKR 0.44 million is pending for 12 DPs who are currently away from the village and will be paid

upon their return. For addendum 2, IVS land compensation, PKR 140.51 million out of the total payable amount has been disbursed to 782 of 1,494 DPs in Mouza Paras, representing 51.57% of the amount and 52.34% of the eligible DPs. Under additional land compensation, PKR 0.0086 million has been paid to 1 of 91 DPs in Mouza Bela Sacha against a total payable amount of PKR 0.0922 million, with slow progress mainly due to the very small amounts payable to the remaining DPs. Compensation for fruit trees and affected built-up property has been fully disbursed at 100%. Besides, 89 of 285 DPs have received additional or missing admissible allowances amounting to PKR 118.65 million, or 92.4% of the total payable PKR 128.43 million, while PKR 9.78 million remains pending for 196 DPs who are also away from the village.

- (iii) **Impeded Payments:** Total number of delayed DPs decreased from 1,757 in the previous report to 1,748 in the current reporting period, reflecting a net reduction of 9 cases. By category, the largest share of delays remains related to meager compensation amounts, affecting 1,025 DPs. As there has been no change in this category between the two reporting periods, it continues to be the principal unresolved bottleneck. The second largest category, living out of village and untraceable, declined from 275 to 266 DPs, showing a reduction of 9 cases during the reporting period. Other categories of impediments, including DPs out of city, inheritance mutation issues, DPs out of country, title disputes/court cases, and juvenile DPs (under 18 years of age). Similarly, no progress has been made with regard to compensation for common land, and its status has remained unchanged since the start of the project.
- (iv) **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 and addendums.
- (v) **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.
- (vi) **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.

- (vii) **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.

8.2 Recommendations

42. 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 1,757 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 of 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 recruitment of some 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 that 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 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 department concerned 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 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 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.



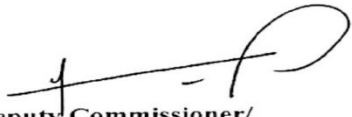

S#	Impact/ Indicator	Proposed Actions	Timeline	Responsibility	Remark
		d. Document the project-based livelihood.			
6	Implementation of Addendums	a. PIU continues to follow up with revenue for the timely completion of compensation disbursement process. b. Regular consultations with the DPs will continue to resolve their concerns (if any)	June 2026	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 2026	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.	June 2026	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	June 2026	PIU, PMC and revenue	Ensure the DPs of communal land are finalized

Annexure A: Contacted DPs

S.NO	Name	Name of Father / Husband	CNIC
1			13501-1038604-3
2			13501-535672-1
3			13501-8760178-9
4			13501-9537667-3
5			13501-0949090-1
6			13501-5059779-1
7			13501-7609464-1
8			13501-7261098-9
9			13501-5227518-2
10			13501-1295026-9
11			13501-0695237-9
12			13501-6596423-1
13			13501-6693454-5
14			13501-1346269-9
15			13501-1613502-3
16			13501-5739435
17			13501-1031563-9
18			13501-1314540-3
19			13501-1247286-7
20			13501-1342996-5
21			13501-1343350-1
22			13501-1347137-7
23			13501-1313630-1
24			13501-6282342-3
25			13501-1298534-7
26			13501-1304750-7
27			13501-1304983-3
28			13302-0514753-7
29			13501-3223782-3
30			13501-7996929-1
31			13501-0646637-9
32			13501-1317276-5
33			13501-9721655-1
34			13501-1342627-5
35			13501-6094104-5
36			13501-2217050-7
37			13501-3940086-5
38			13501-1343060-5
39			13501-3838475

S.NO	Name	Name of Father / Husband	CNIC
40	M. Akbar Ghani		13501-5939916-9
41			13501-1776222-9
42			13501-8363887-7
43			-
44			-
45			-
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47			-
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49			-

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

	OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER / LAND ACQUISITION COLLECTOR MANSEHRA	
No. <u>1401</u> /BHPP/Acq/DC(M)		Dated <u>15</u> /09/2022
<u>NOTIFICATION.</u>		
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.		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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 		
<u>TORs.</u>		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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. <u>1402-08</u> /BHPP/Acq/DC(M)		
Copy forwarded to:-		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Sectary Energy & Power Department Govt. of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar. 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



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MANSEHRA**



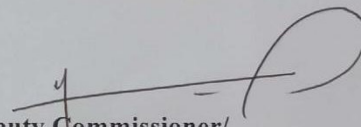
No. 1448 /BHPP/Acq/DC(M)

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.

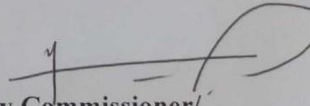
Payment shall be made accordance with the TOR's laid down in this office Notification No. 1401/BHPP/Acq/DC(M) dated 15-09-2022.


**Deputy Commissioner/
Land Acquisition Collector
Mansehra**



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

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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 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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 Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Peshawar
 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

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 Project Director
 Balakot HPP,
 PEDO, Peshawar.

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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,
 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

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 Project Director 26/09/2022
 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

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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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6. The Team Leader, PMC, BHPP
7. Members concerned



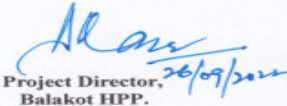


 12/01/2023
**Project Director
Balakot HPP,
PEDO, Peshawar.**

Annexure D: Evidence of Complaint Register

JAN-2025 - Dec 2025

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
01	17/01/25		Unassessed one roof of floor.	Written	Matter to be taken up with LAC & seek his guidance for early resolution.	Closed/Resolved
02	17/01/25		Unassessed one unit of a structure	Written	"	Closed/Resolved
03	17/01/25		Group application of LARP Displacement Allowances	Written	Project level Meeting is Pending to be held soon.	
04	22/01/2025		Group application to know BDRs of IVs of structures!	Written (13 Nov)	IVs findings already disclosed to GPC & Community in 17 May 2024 online meeting	Closed
05	22/01/2025		Application for (4) Business Loss Allowance	Written	Letter issued for submission of relevant business documents as per the approved criteria - No Relevant documents submitted till today -	Closed/Resolved
06	19/8/2025		Application for Shops Business Allowance	Email to ADB.	Meeting conducted on 11/6/25 - the original documents submission is still pending.	
07	28/8/2025		Application for Missed compensation amount	Email to ADB	Meeting conducted on 28/8/25 - MOM shared. Despite several reminders, the complainant has not submitted the required documents -	Closed -> 16/10/25 complainant already notified/informed Reopened on the Requested of ADB RE Page 13 Mr. Arjane Arif.

Annexure E: Exhaustive Efforts Securing Compensation Amount

 <p style="text-align: center;">P E D O PAKHTUNKHWA ENERGY DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Peshawar Energy & Power Department</p>	
No. 876/PEDO/PD Balakot HPP/LA Dated:26/09/2022	
To The Deputy Commissioner, District Mansehra.	
Subject: SURETY OF BHPP BALANCE / UNDISBURSED AMOUNT UTILIZATION.	
<p>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.</p> <p>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.</p>	
 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

اطلاع برائے مالکان اراضیات

بالاکوٹ ہائیڈرو پاور ترقیاتی پراجیکٹ تحصیل بالاکوٹ، ضلع مانسہرہ، تحصیل بالاکوٹ ضلع مانسہرہ کے ان تمام مالکان اراضیات جن کی زمین بالاکوٹ ہائیڈرو پاور ترقیاتی پراجیکٹ کی تعمیر کیلئے ایکواڑ 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۔ ڈسٹرکٹ کلکٹر مانسہرہ۔

پراجیکٹ ڈائریکٹر بالاکوٹ ہائیڈرو پاور ترقیاتی پراجیکٹ



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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۔

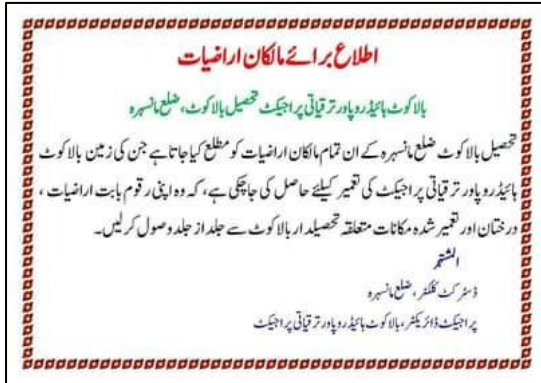
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iii. Displaying Notices/Banners/ Announcement in the project area for compensation disbursement



Displaying of notices along the Masjid wall



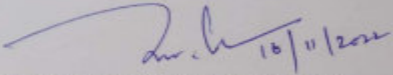



iv. Information of Compensation Payment Through Social Media



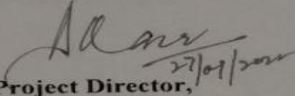

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v. Follow up Letter to AC to Complete the Compensation Payment to All Unpaid DPs

	P E D O PAKHTUNKHWA ENERGY DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION <i>Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Peshawar</i> <i>Energy & Power Department</i>	
No.1063/PEDO/PD Balakot HPP/LA Dated:16/11/2022		
To		
The Assistant Commissioner, Balakot, District Mansehra.		
Subject: <u>CONTACT TO THE OUT-STATIONED APs/DPs OF 300 MW BALAKOT HPP</u>		
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.

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

	<h1 style="margin: 0;">P E D O</h1> <p style="margin: 0;">PAKHTUNKHWA ENERGY DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Peshawar Energy & Power Department</p>	
No. 877/PEDO/PD Balakot HPP/LA Dated: 27/09/2022		
<p>To</p> <p>The Branch Manager Bank of Khyber- (BOK) Balakot Bazar, Balakot.</p>		
<p>Subject: <u>Bank Accounts Opening Request for Balakot HPP Affectees</u></p>		
<p>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.</p> <p>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.</p>		
<p>Looking for Your Favorable Reply,</p>		
<p>CC:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Team Leader, PMC/ The Deputy Team Leader, PMC. 2. PS to CEO, PEDO, Peshawar. 		<p style="text-align: center;">  Project Director, Balakot HPP, PEDO. </p>
<p style="font-size: small;"> <i>Receiving original letter</i> <i>A. A. Khan</i> HEAD OFFICE PEDO OPERATIONS OFFICE NO. 5651 THE BANK OF KHYBER 155 Balakot (5197) </p>		<p style="text-align: center;">  Project Director, Balakot HPP, PEDO. </p>

Letter of United Bank Limited for opening the account of DPs



vii. Brochure in Local Urdu Language for APs/ DPs

پختونخواہ ازمبلی ڈویلپمنٹ آرگنائزیشن (پی ڈی و)
300 میگا واٹ بالاکوٹ پین بجلی گھر
معاشرتی و ماحولیاتی اثرات کے اقدامات کا خلاصہ

حکومت خیبر پختونخواہ، پختونخواہ ازمبلی ڈویلپمنٹ آرگنائزیشن (پی ڈی و) کے ذریعے اور اینٹین ڈیولپمنٹ بینک (ADB) کے مالی تعاون سے، پاکستان کے ضلع ہارسہ میں بالاکوٹ کے مقام پر 300 میگا واٹ پین بجلی گھر کی تعمیر کا منصوبہ بنا چکی ہیں۔ اس منصوبے کا ڈیزائن کاروں میں سینہ کا جبکہ بجلی گھر ساکڑ کے مقام پر تعمیر ہوگا۔ اس منصوبے کی تکمیل میں بجلی کی موجودگی پر قابو پانے میں مدد ملے گی۔ سن 2018 میں اینٹین ڈیولپمنٹ بینک نے اس منصوبے کی تکنیکی فعالیت کا مطالعہ Aqualogus Consultant کے ذریعے کیا جبکہ ماحول پر اثرات کا جائزہ، زمین کے حصول اور لوگوں کی منتقلی کا مطالعہ Project Management Consultant (PMC) کے وسائل سے مکمل کیا۔

اس منصوبے کی فعالیت کے دوران ماحول پر اثرات کا مطالعہ Project Management Consultant (PMC) کے وسائل سے مکمل کیا۔ اس منصوبے کی فعالیت کے دوران ماحول پر اثرات کا مطالعہ Project Management Consultant (PMC) کے وسائل سے مکمل کیا۔ اس منصوبے کی فعالیت کے دوران ماحول پر اثرات کا مطالعہ Project Management Consultant (PMC) کے وسائل سے مکمل کیا۔

حکم

قیمت	تفصیل
63,000	1. زو پیری الاؤنس (Vulnerability Allowance)
31,000	2. ڈھانچہ منتقلی الاؤنس (Structure Relocation Allowance)
31,000	3. گھر منتقلی الاؤنس (Shifting Allowance for Houses)
31,000	4. کاروباری ڈھانچہ منتقلی الاؤنس (Commercial Structure Shifting)
57,000	5. منتقلی الاؤنس (Transition Allowance)
63,000	6. کاروباری منتقلی الاؤنس (Business Moving Assistance)
100,000	7. منتقلی کے دوران گھر کے کرایہ کی ضرورت (House Rent)
63,000	8. شدید متاثر (Severe Impact Allowance)
50,000	9. 12 مہینوں کے لیے کاروباری الاؤنس (Business Allowance for 12 months (To be determined on the per month average basis of business for 12 months))
20,000	10. بجلی الاؤنس (Electricity Allowance)
2,000,000	11. گھریلو منتقلی / چھوٹا الاؤنس (Household Dislocation Allowance/Chula Allowance)

کسی بھی حکایات کی صورت میں مندرجہ ذیل دفاتر کے پتے، فون نمبر یا (حکایات سبل) تکنی ممبران سے رابطہ کر سکتے ہیں۔

پراجیکٹ ڈائریکٹر
 بالاکوٹ ہائیڈرو پاور پراجیکٹ
 پراجیکٹ 1
 فون نمبر: 4-360003-0997

پراجیکٹ سٹیشننگ سیکشن
 بالاکوٹ ہائیڈرو پاور پراجیکٹ، بالاکوٹ، ضلع ہارسہ
 فون نمبر: 6-360155-0997

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

**Balakot Hydropower Project
Community Consultation Meeting Report**

Date: 11-03-25

Meeting held with the affected community of village Sagar & Ghansal. In the meeting various issues was discussed with both community, i.e., Payment of Compensation of unpaid DP and starting of skill training arranged by Consultant NGO. In the response of community query the expert's team informed the forum that due delay approval of LRP report the training was not started on the actual date. Now, the LRP is approved by ADB and soon the training will start in the month of Sept.

**Balakot Hydropower Project
Community Consultation Meeting
Attendance Sheet**

Name of Mouza: Sagar Date: 11-03-2025

S. No.	Name	Contact No.	Signature
1			
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ix. Scanned Copies (Sample) of Recorded Documents for APs with Impediments

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

بالا کوٹ ہائیڈرو پاور پراجیکٹ، بالا کوٹ، ساہیوہ
رقم معمولی ہو (MEAGER AMOUNT CASE)

سورہ 25-12-2024
موضوع / گاؤں کا نام: یارس
ضلع / تعلقہ: مالنگیہ
حصہ: بالا کوٹ

نمبر شمار	متاثرہ شخص کا نام	پراجیکٹ کے اثرات کی قسم	ہو اس کا نام اور موٹا گل نمبر	گاؤں میں جس شخص سے رابطہ	متاثرہ شخص سے رشتہ	متاثرہ شخص کا موجودہ پتہ اور اس کا فون نمبر	نمبر قبض الوصول
13							
14							
15							
16							
17							
18							

معلومات حاصل کنندہ: عباد اللہ
نہ: سردار امیر GRC (field level) طاہر شاہ
دستخط: طاہر شاہ
پتہ: یارس

معلومات حاصل کنندہ: طاہر شاہ
نہ: وقار احمد
دستخط: وقار احمد
پتہ: بالا کوٹ

Deputy Director
Social & Resettlement,
BHPP, PEDO

موضوع پتہ، تحصیل بالا کوٹ، ضلع ساہیوہ

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

بالا کوٹ ہائیڈرو پاور پراجیکٹ، بالا کوٹ، ساہیوہ
رقم معمولی ہو (MEAGER AMOUNT CASE)

سورہ 25-12-2024
موضوع / گاؤں کا نام: سنگیہ
ضلع / تعلقہ: مالنگیہ
حصہ: بالا کوٹ

نمبر شمار	متاثرہ شخص کا نام	پراجیکٹ کے اثرات کی قسم	ہو اس کا نام اور موٹا گل نمبر	گاؤں میں جس شخص سے رابطہ	متاثرہ شخص سے رشتہ	متاثرہ شخص کا موجودہ پتہ اور اس کا فون نمبر	نمبر قبض الوصول
1							249
2							912
3							1425
4							1767
5							1560
6							2870

معلومات حاصل کنندہ: عباد اللہ
نہ: سردار امیر GRC (field level) طاہر شاہ
دستخط: طاہر شاہ
پتہ: بالا کوٹ

معلومات حاصل کنندہ: طاہر شاہ
نہ: نعیم اشرف
دستخط: نعیم اشرف
پتہ: بالا کوٹ

Member Grievance
Redressal Committee,
BHPP, PEDO
Paid

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

بلاکوت ہائیڈرو پاور پراجیکٹ، بلاکوت، مانسہرہ
حاضرہ مقرر کارکنان اور پراجیکٹ ایریا میں گذر رہتا (دوسرے گاؤں / پاکستان کے دوسرے شہر ملک سے باہر)

سورہ 2024-12-25
پر مشتمل نمبر
موتی / گاؤں کا نام پاراس ضلع بلاکوت تحصیل مانسہرہ

نمبر نمبر	حاضرہ مقرر کا نام	پراجیکٹ کے اثرات کی قسم	گاؤں میں جس مقرر سے رابطہ ہو اس کا نام اور موبائل نمبر	حاضرہ مقرر سے رشتہ	حاضرہ مقرر کا موجودہ پتہ اور اس کا فون نمبر	نمبر قبضہ الوصول
199						5390
200						6810
201						2502
202						4751
203						1519
204						907

معلومات حاصل کنندہ: _____
گواہ: _____
تصدیق کنندہ: _____

نام: عیاد اللہ
رہنما: عیاد اللہ
پتہ: بلاکوت

نمبر / امیر (field level) GRC: _____
رہنما: _____
پتہ: پاراس

Deputy Director
Social & Resettlement.
BHPP, PEDO

Deputy Director
Social & Resettlement.
BHPP, PEDO

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

بلاکوت ہائیڈرو پاور پراجیکٹ، بلاکوت، مانسہرہ
حاضرہ مقرر کارکنان اور پراجیکٹ ایریا میں گذر رہتا (دوسرے گاؤں / پاکستان کے دوسرے شہر ملک سے باہر)

سورہ 2024-12-25
پر مشتمل نمبر
موتی / گاؤں کا نام منٹو ضلع بلاکوت تحصیل مانسہرہ

نمبر نمبر	حاضرہ مقرر کا نام	پراجیکٹ کے اثرات کی قسم	گاؤں میں جس مقرر سے رابطہ ہو اس کا نام اور موبائل نمبر	حاضرہ مقرر سے رشتہ	حاضرہ مقرر کا موجودہ پتہ اور اس کا فون نمبر	نمبر قبضہ الوصول
1						754
2						580
3						1165
4						1759
5						295

معلومات حاصل کنندہ: _____
گواہ: _____
تصدیق کنندہ: _____

نام: عیاد اللہ
رہنما: عیاد اللہ
پتہ: بلاکوت

نمبر / امیر (field level) GRC: _____
رہنما: _____
پتہ: منٹو

Deputy Director
Social & Resettlement.
BHPP, PEDO

Deputy Director
Social & Resettlement.
BHPP, PEDO

f. 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: 108, 113 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 انسٹران
 ڈپٹی ڈائریکٹر (سوشل اینڈ ریمڈیویشن)
 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


Sr No	Amount
1	Rs. 10000
2	Rs. 20000
3	Rs. 30000
4	Rs. 40000
5	Rs. 50000
6	Rs. 60000
7	Rs. 70000
8	Rs. 80000
9	Rs. 90000
10	Rs. 100000
Total	700000

VOUCHER NO. 7/2

Head of Service Chargeable G-1219
 Head of Service Deposits G-1219 Deposits Revenue List of Payment
 Original No. 32, Any No. 280/any Dept of Depnt 5000-0204
 Name of Depositor: Depnt Chairman / District Land Acquisition, Manshera

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

Deposited Report
 Received Rs. of Rs. of January, 2022
 Amount of Rs. 20000 (Twenty Six Thousand Three
 Hundred Rupees Only) being the amount payable to

Signature: 

Deputy Director S & R PEDO
 Collector Land Acquisition,
 Manshera

Treasury Officer

Voucher for Addl Land for BHPP, Mouza Bela Sacha


Sr No	Amount
1	Rs. 11001160
2	Rs. 1619200
Total	12216130

VOUCHER NO. 11

Head of Service Chargeable G-1219
 Head of Service Deposits G-1219 Deposits Revenue List of Payment
 Original No. 32, Any No. 280/any Dept of Depnt 5000-0204
 Name of Depositor: Depnt Chairman / District Land Acquisition, Manshera

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





Received Rs. 25 day of December, 2024
 The sum of Rs. 11216130 (Eleven Million Two
 Hundred Thirty-One Thousand Six Hundred Thirteen
 Rupees Only) being the amount payable to:-

Signature: 

Deputy Director S & R PEDO
 Collector 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 Conments Structures	Transition Allowance	Business Moving Assistance	House Rent	Sevens Impact Allowance	Business Allowance for 12 months	Electricity Allowance	Household Dislocation / Chua 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						31,000	31,000		87,000	100,000	83,000		20,000	2,000,000	2,302,000					
4						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

**Balakot Hydropower Project
Community Consultation Meeting
Attendance Sheet**

Name of Mouza: Sungar Date: 11-03-2025

S. No.	Name	Contact No.	Signature
1			<i>A. Sid</i>
2			<i>K. M.</i>
3			<i>P. M.</i>
4			<i>U. S.</i>
5			<i>A. S.</i>
6			<i>N. S.</i>
7			<i>A. S.</i>
8			<i>P. S.</i>
9			<i>P. S.</i>
10			<i>A. S.</i>
11			<i>A. S.</i>
12			<i>B. S.</i>

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

Meeting Minutes Deputy Commissioner, District Mansehra November 5, 2025

The meeting was held under the chairmanship of Deputy Commissioner in his office at District Mansehra. The chair welcomed all the officials of the meeting. Following officials were attended the meeting;

1. Deputy Commissioner, District Mansehra
2. Legal Advisor, PIU, BHPP
3. Deputy Director S & R, PIU, BHPP
4. Resettlement Assistant, PMC, BHPP
5. Tehsildar Land Acquisition concerned
6. Patwaris (Land Record Keeper) concerned
7. Patwari (Land Record Keeper) of PIU

Main points of meeting are as under.

➤ **Payments of pending land and non-land Compensation amount to DPs:**

The DC Mansehra discussed in detail the progress of payment compensation amount under original approved LARP as well as additional payment under IVS including payment of meager compensation amount. The chair directed all the staff members concerned to accelerate the payment of compensation process in all affected mouzas/ villages under the project. The revenue department agreed to complete the process of compensation payment and ensure speedy disbursement.

➤ **To accelerate the process of mutation process**

The DC, directed the revenue staff upon the pending mutation process of deceased unpaid APs and further directed the officials concerned to facilitate and complete the mutation process in all affected mouzas of the project.

➤ **To complete the process of shifting of Graves in the Mouza of Paras**

The DC also directed the concerned staff to complete the process of shifting of graves in mouza Paras. He further briefed the forum that the process of shifting of graves is ongoing and soon will be completed by the respective contractors.

➤ **Completion of Payment of Public Built-up Properties and its evacuation**

The DC, further 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. The DC briefed about the some of the public built-up properties (forest and revenue department) have been evacuated and payment of such built-up properties also completed, and rest of the built-up properties will evacuated and payment will be transferred once the respective department will requested accordingly.

➤ **Payment of Meager Compensation Amount**

The DC, Mansehra, informed/ directed all the meeting participants about the payment of meager compensation, that there is no alternate machnism/ soluation available in the law to disburse the meager compensation amount and the only solution is to pay the meager compensation amount to the actual DPs as per legal procedure against their claim or affected assets. The DC further 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. 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 ended with the vote of thanks from and to the chair.

The meeting was held under the chairmanship of Additional Deputy Commissioner (G) in his office at District Mansehra. The chair was welcomed by all the officials of the meeting. Following officials attended the meeting;

1. Additional Deputy Commissioner, District Mansehra
2. Legal Advisor, PIU, BHPP
3. Deputy Director S & R, PIU, BHPP
4. Resettlement Assistant, PMC, BHPP
5. Tehsildar Land Acquisition concerned
6. Patwaris concerned
7. Patwari of PIU

Main points of meeting are as under.

➤ **Payments of pending land and non-land Compensation amount to DPs:**

The ADC Mansehra discussed in detail the progress of payment compensation amount under original approved LARP as well as additional payment under IVS. The chair directed the staff members concerned to accelerate the compensation payments of all types of land and non-land including allowances in all the affected villages under the project. The concerned revenue staff agreed and ensured speedy disbursement of compensation and to support and complete the documentation process of each DPs on priority basis.

➤ **To accelerate the process of mutation process**

The ADC of District Mansehra, directed the revenue staff upon the pending mutation process of deceased unpaid DPs and further directed the officials concerned to facilitate and complete the mutation process in all affected mouzas of the project.

➤ **To complete the process of shifting of Graves in the Mouza of Paras**

The ADC Mansehra also directed the concerned staff to complete the process of shifting of graves in mouza Paras. He further briefed the forum that the process of shifting of graves is ongoing and soon will be completed by the respective contractor.

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**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. | Community Member/Affectee from Paras |
| 18. | Community Member/Affectee from Paras |
| 19. | Village Council Chairman & Community Member from Sangar. |
| 20. | 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: Budget Estimates for Capacity Building



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Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Peshawar
Energy & Power Department



No. 644-648 /PEDO/PD Balakot HPP/2025-26

Dated: November 26, 2025

To

District Director,
 Livestock Department,
 District Mansehra.

Subject: REQUEST FOR BUDGET ESTIMATES/QUOTATIONS, AND MOU FOR CAPACITY-BUILDING TRAININGS IN LIVESTOCK, UNDER LRP-BALAKOT HYDROPOWER PROJECT

Reference to our previous multiple meetings held at your office, I am directed to state that in line with the Livelihood Restoration Plan (LRP) under the Balakot Hydropower Project (BHPP) Community Support and Development Program (CS/DP), we write to seek the formal approval and support of the Livestock Department for the initiation of a key capacity-building component focused on livestock. This component aims to deliver community-based technical training across the four-core project-affected villages: Sanghar, Ghanool, Paras, and Bela Sacha.

This training initiative has emerged as a priority through the recent gender-sensitive baseline survey and Village Committee consultations, which revealed significant livelihood disruptions in natural resource-based sectors and a strong community demand to restore and upgrade traditional skills and practices. The program is designed to benefit Affected Persons (APs), with a particular emphasis on engaging women, youth, and other vulnerable groups.

A total of 50 participants (48 from the four villages and 2 from BHPP staff) will be trained in livestock, estimated budget for a batch of 50 participants, ensuring at least 50% female participation.

Furthermore, we request your support in:

1. Submitting a lump sum quotation/amount from your department for field-based trainings.
2. Draft MoU/Contract Agreement

Your endorsement and timely collaboration are vital for moving forward with this livelihood-enhancing activity, which is expected to substantially contribute to restoring income sources, strengthening community resilience, and promoting sustainable natural resource use within the project area.

Should you require any further information, clarification, or supporting documents, please feel free to contact us.

Thank you for your continued cooperation and support. We seek a prompt response regarding the above subject matter please.



(Dr. Naveed Afsar)
**Deputy Director S&R,
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Energy & Power Department



No.633-638/PEDO/PD Balakot HPP/2025-26

Dated: November 26, 2025

To

District Director Agriculture,
 Agriculture Department,
 District Mansehra.

Subject: REQUEST FOR BUDGET ESTIMATES/QUOTATIONS, AND MOU/CONTRACT AGREEMENT FOR CAPACITY-BUILDING TRAININGS IN AGRICULTURE, UNDER LRP – BALAKOT HYDROPOWER PROJECT

Reference to our different previous meetings held at your office as well as one meeting held at the Directorate of Agriculture, Peshawar with Deputy Director Planning, I am directed to state that in line with the Livelihood Restoration Plan (LRP) under the Balakot Hydropower Project (BHPP) Community Support and Development Program (CS/DP), we write to seek the formal approval and support of the Agriculture Department for the initiation of a key capacity-building component focused on agriculture. This component aims to deliver community-based technical training across the four-core project-affected villages: Sanghar, Ghanool, Paras, and Bela Sacha.

This training initiative has emerged as a priority through the recent gender-sensitive baseline survey and Village Committee consultations, which revealed significant livelihood disruptions in natural resource-based sectors and a strong community demand to restore and upgrade traditional skills and practices. The program is designed to benefit Affected Persons (APs), with a particular emphasis on engaging women, youth, and other vulnerable groups.

A total of 50 participants (48 from the four villages and 2 from BHPP team) will be trained in agriculture, related skills. In this regard, we request your department to kindly provide the estimated budget for a batch of 50 participants, ensuring at least 50% female participation.

Furthermore, we request your support in:

1. Submitting lump sum quotation/amount from your department for field-based trainings.
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Annex-H: Relocation of Masjid

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Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Peshawar
Energy & Power Department



No. 88-91/PEDO/PD Balakot HPP/2025-26
Dated: 25/07/2025

To

Paras GRC Committee

Subject: SMOOTH RELOCATION OF THE MASAJID STRUCTURES IN THE ACQUIRED AREA OF PARAS-BHPP.

Reference to the subject above as you are well aware that about 99.09% of the affected people have withdrawn their due LARP allowances payments in the acquired area of the dam site and 100% people have also withdrawn their structures compensation from the LAC. Majority of the people have also shifted from the acquired area of the Dam site.

As we discussed during our several meetings in the PIU-BHPP office regarding smooth dismantling and shifting of the acquired structures, we are requesting through this letter once again that the land under those masjid is urgently required by the CGGC contractor for civil works.

You are therefore requested to relocate the masjid (One in Bela Basehri and One in Nihan) areas which is currently in dire need of the contractor for any sort of crucial civil works on immediate basis in order to complete the project works on time and refrain from any unnecessary delays.

**Deputy Director S&R,
Balakot HPP, PEDO**

CC:

1. Project Director, BHPP-PEDO.
2. Deputy Director Land, PIU-BHPP PEDO.
3. Team Leader/Deputy Team Leader, PMC.

**Deputy Director S&R,
Balakot HPP, PEDO**

Photo Gallery



Meeting with the DPs of the Paras village



Meeting with the Contractor



Meeting with the Team Leader of NGO



Visiting the kitchen of the labor camp



Visiting the canteen in the camp site



View of discussion with kitchen and medical staff





View of the complaint box displaying in front of contractor camp



Discussion with the security guards of construction camp



ERM is discussing with the labor during the visit



ERM is discussing with the DPs during the visit