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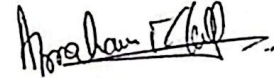
NO.12(9) PO(COORD-II)P&D/2025
GOVERNMENT OF THE PUNJAB
PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT BOARD
Dated Lahore the 14th March, 2025

1. The Secretary to Government of the Punjab,
 - i. Finance Department
 - ii. FW&F Department
 - iii. Environment Protection Department
2. The Secretary, P&D South Punjab Secretariat, Bahawalpur.
3. The Chief Economist / All Members, P&D Board.
4. The Director, Punjab Economic Research Institute (PERI).
5. The Director General, Monitoring & Evaluation (M&E).
6. The Chief Executive Officer, Urban Unit, Lahore.

Subject: **MINUTES / DECISIONS OF THE MEETING OF PROVINCIAL DEVELOPMENT WORKING PARTY (PDWP).**
(SECTOR: FW&F)

I am directed to enclose herewith a copy of minutes of **67th PDWP meeting held on 25th February, 2025** under the chairmanship of Chairman P&D Board, for information and further necessary action of the following Item(s):-

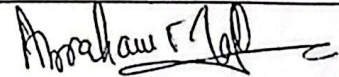
Agenda Item No.	ADP No. (2023-24)	Name of the Item	Approved Cost (Rs. in million)
6	3263 (New)	Revamping of Lahore Zoo. (Revised)	2,034.648



(ABRAHAM MALL)
PLANNING OFFICER (COORD-II)

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Sr. No.	PARTICULARS
	PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT BOARD:
1	Sr. Chiefs:- (Coord. & Mont.) / Chiefs: ENV/FW&F, ECA, Technical, Consultancy / Consultant (Coord)
2	Manager (MIS) P&D Board
3	PSO to Chairman, P&D Board.
4	PS to Secretary, P&D Board.
	C.C.
5	Chief (Food & Agriculture), M/o Planning, Dev. & Special Initiatives, Govt. of Pakistan, "P" Block, Pak Secretariat, Islamabad.



PLANNING OFFICER (COORD-II)

GOVERNMENT OF THE PUNJAB PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT BOARD FWF SECTION	
MINUTES OF 67 TH PDWP MEETING HELD ON 25.02.2025	
Agenda Item No. 6	Revamping of Lahore Zoo (Revised) ADP No. 3263 (Ongoing)
Date & Time:	25.02.2025 (Tuesday) At 12:15 P.M
Venue:	Auditorium P&D Board
Participants:	List Attached

Chief (Env.&CC), P&D Board briefed the forum that the project titled "Revamping of Lahore Zoo" was approved by PDWP in its meeting dated 20.09.2023 at a cost of Rs. 1,836 469 million with a gestation period of 25 months (2023-2025). Later on, the scheme was revised and approved by PDWP in its meeting dated 23.01.2024 at a same cost and gestation period with few changes in scope of work. She further explained that the FWF Department has submitted the revised PC-I of the subject scheme at a cost of Rs. 2,034.648 million and a gestation period of 24 months (2023-26). The reasons of revision are as under:

Addition of New Scope

- Boundary wall (Rs. 73.234 M)
- Electrification (Rs. 36.112 M)
- Others (unforeseen expenditures) (Rs.15.000 M)

Enhancement in Previous Approved Scope

- Reptile House/ Aquarium (Increased from Rs. 68.215M to Rs. 88.097 M)
- Road Path (Increased from Rs. 36.935 M to Rs.50.258 M)
- Consultancy (Increased from Rs.15.00 to Rs. 40.00 M)
- Making and fixing of sculpture (Increased from Rs. 30.00 M to Rs. 53.00 M)
- Publicity and Advertisement (Increased from Rs.10.00M to Rs. 30.00 M)
- Other Structures (Increased from Rs.15.00 M to Rs. 27.00 M)

Reduction in Approved Scope

- Purchase of zoo exhibits (Reduced from Rs.570 M to Rs. 500M)
- Cost of establishment (Reduced from Rs. 3.330 M to Rs. 0.30 M)

2 The forum was further briefed that the revised PC-I of the subject scheme was discussed in the Pre-PDWP meeting held on 18.02.2025 under the chairmanship of the Secretary P&D Board / Member (Env. & CC.), P&D Board, wherein the change in scope was discussed and deliberated in detail.

DISCUSSION: -

3. While discussing the civil component of the revised PC-I, the Chief (Technical) of the P&D Board highlighted that the old boundary wall of Lahore Zoo was constructed using brick masonry, whereas the new wall is proposed to be an RCC structure, which will incur a significant cost. The S.E. 3rd Circle of the C&W Department responded that the boundary wall was designed by the P&D Design Directorate of the C&W Department after receiving a report from the Building Research Station. Due to the difference in elevation between the Lawrence Road and Lahore Zoo, an RCC wall is proposed instead of brick masonry.

4. The Chief (Technical) further inquired about the inclusion of the HT/LT component, considering that the scheme is set to complete its gestation period on 30.06.2025. The Director General of Wildlife & Parks informed that this crucial component was overlooked during the initial preparation of PC-I. The establishment of new facilities such as Holoverse and the Aquarium has increased Lahore Zoo's overall electricity demand, leading to power tripping and fluctuations, which necessitated the replacement of transformers. While the transformers have already been replaced by Lahore Zoo, the HT/LT panel still needs to be installed under the revised scheme. The forum agreed with the proposal; however, it directed the department to provide load calculations and estimates to the Technical Section of the P&D Board for vetting.

5. The Chair inquired about the proposed increase in the road path component, to which the Director General of Wildlife explained that the minor increase is intended to ensure symmetry in the tuft tile pattern in the main area of Lahore Zoo, as the presence of varying patterns is aesthetically unappealing.

6. Regarding the increase in consultancy charges from Rs. 15 million to Rs. 40 million, the representative of the C&W Department explained that provisions for consultancy charges have been made under both the capital and revenue components of the scheme, while the consultant has been engaged by the client department. Consequently, the funds allocated under the capital component will be shifted to the revenue side. The net increase of approximately Rs. 13 million is due to the expiry of the ECSP consultancy period in August 2024. However, it is now proposed to extend this period until June 2025 to ensure the proper closure of the scheme and the completion of the remaining civil works.

7. The Director General (Monitoring & Evaluation) informed the house that a team from DG (M&E) visited the Lahore Zoo. Among various observations, it was noted that ticket packages have been introduced, including a Rs. 100 entry fee and packages of Rs. 300 and Rs. 500. Visitors paying only the entry fee are restricted from accessing the Holoverse, Aquarium, and Reptile sections of the zoo. The forum observed that multi-tier ticketing has been implemented at the Lahore Zoo, despite the project being funded by the Government of Punjab to provide recreational facilities to the public. There may be additional tickets for certain activities added in the zoo but not for 'animal watching' which is the core purpose of any zoo and legitimate expectation of visitors entering the zoo. The forum was of the view that once a visitor purchases a ticket, they should have access to all animal-watching activities under a single ticket. The forum advised the administrative department to reconsider the proposal for additional or separate ticketing, and if a separate ticket for animal watching is deemed necessary, the matter must be brought to the notice of the Chief Minister.

8. DECISIONS:

After detailed deliberations, the forum unanimously approved the scheme and following decisions were made:

- i. The scheme was revised and approved at a cost of Rs. 2,034.648 million till June, 2025 subject to fulfillment of all codal, legal / procedural formalities by the Sponsoring Department as well as Executing Agencies.

- ii. ECSP shall provide load calculation and estimates of HT/LT component to the Technical section of P&D Board for vetting.
- iii. The forum advised the administrative department to reconsider the proposal of separate ticketing for specific animal watching, in addition to entry ticket, and if a separate ticket for animal watching is deemed necessary, the matter must be brought to the notice of the Chief Minister.

Meeting ended with a vote of thanks.

LIST OF PARTICIPANTS

67th PDWP MEETING, FY 2024-25

Dated: 25.02.2025

Name of the Officer		Designation / Department
PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT BOARD		
1.	Barrister Nabeel A. Awan	Chairman, P&D Board (In Ch.)
2.	Dr. Asif Tufail	Secretary, P&D Board / Member (Env.)
3.	Mr. M. Masood Anwar	Chief Economist
4.	Mr. Abid Bodla	Member (ID)
5.	Mr. Ahmed Mustajab Karamat	Member (Social Development)
6.	Mr. Shafaat Ali	Member (Health)
7.	Mr. Khawar Kamal	Member (LG&CD / UD)
8.	Mr. Aslam Javed	Member (Agriculture)
9.	Mr. Sadaqat Hussain Khan	Member (Energy)
10.	Mr. Agha M.Ali Abbas	Member (Governance)
11.	Mr. Mohsin Abbas Shakir	Member (Water)
12.	Mr. Mahmood-ul- Hassan	Sr. Chief (RP)
13.	Ms. Saba Asghar Ali	Chief (Env. & CC.)
14.	Mr. Abid Inayat Sheikh	Chief (Technical)
15.	Ms. Rabbia Ali	Assistant Chief (FW&F)
16.	Mr. Khalid Javed	Consultant ID
P&D BOARD SOUTH SECRETARIAT		
17.	Mr. Muhammad Akhtar Mundhaira,	Additional Secretary
18.	Mr. Ghulam Fareed	Chief
URBAN UNIT		
19.	Mr. Aleem Akram	Programme Manager
DG (M&E)		
20.	Ms. Kiran Khurshid	Director General
ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION DEPARTMENT		
21.	Mr. Noor Ahmad	Deputy Director EIA -EPA
PUNJAB ECONOMIC RESEARCH INSTITUTE (PERI)		
22.	Dr. Muhammad Avais	Chief of Research
FOREST, WILDLIFE & FISHERIES		
23.	Mr. Muddasir Riaz Malik	Director General
24.	Mr. Junaid Nadeem	Deputy Director (Headquarter)
FINANCE DEPARTMENT		
25.	Ms. Nur-ul-Ain	ASF (Economic Services)
C&W DEPARTMENT		
26.	Ms. Maryam Adnan	S.E
27.	Ms. Ayseha Waheed	SDO

Minutes of 67th meeting of PDWP held on 25.02.2025