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Subject: MINUTES OF THE 8th PRB MEETING "STRENGTHENING RULE OF LAW PROJECT" (UNDP)"

Sir,

I am directed to enclose herewith a copy of approved minutes of the subject meeting held on 14th December, 2016 under the chairmanship of Secretary P&DD in the Conference Room of P&D Department for information and necessary action, please.

Furthermore, you may kindly share the approved minutes with all concerned.


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Subject: Minutes of 8th PRB Meeting of Strengthening Rule of Law Project (SRLP)

The Secretary P&D Department welcomed all the participants on behalf of Additional Chief Secretary and commended the efforts of UNDP, SDU, INL and EU for helping in strengthening rule of law in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa. He expressed his hope that the excellent collaboration manifested so far would also continue in future.

Mr. Vitali Muntean, Acting Deputy Director, UNDP addressed PRB meeting expressing his pleasure to be a part of the PRB meeting. He further commended the successful collaborative efforts of different donors and the Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa with regard to conception and implementation of SRLM and SRLP.

Mr. Jakhongir Khaydarov, Project Manager SRLP made a presentation on the status of the decisions of 7th PRB dated 15th February, 2016. The forum unanimously endorsed the decision of the 7th PRB. Later he made a detailed presentation on the performance of SRLP on key deliverables and results. Project focus areas/outputs were presented to the forum one by one with the following feedback by the departments.

Secretary Home & Tribal Affairs Department

- i. He informed that we must ensure the sustainability of all initiatives under the project; through collective follow up action.
- ii. He further informed that the jails in the province of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa are overcrowded due to huge number of under-trial prisoners. The project may look into possibilities of finding some solution to this problem.
- iii. He further added that a number of Development Partners are working in the Rule of Law sector with sometimes overlapping mandates, therefore, a need is felt to consolidate all the work done and bring all future plans under one roof for better synchronization of efforts.
- iv. The Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa is in the process of formulating Rule of Law Strategy. In this regard, the Development Partners are invited to contribute with their expertise and resources.

Secretary P&D Department, endorsed the bringing together of all Rule of Law related activities under one roof. He suggested the Home & Tribal Affairs Department as the appropriate repository for this consolidation effort.

Acting Deputy Director UNDP expressed the need for detailed statistics regarding beneficiaries of the programme. He suggested age wise and region wise breakup of the beneficiaries' data in addition to the gender based statistics.

Mr. Jakhongir presented the annual work plan. Secretary P&D Department asked all concerned departments to comment on the work plan. The departments offered the following comments.

- i. Secretary Home & Tribal Affairs Department suggested that there should be enough flexibility in the annual working plan to accommodate emerging needs, course corrections and expected FATA reforms.
- ii. The representative of Peshawar High Court suggested inclusion of IT based automation of the Peshawar High Court in the annual work plan. He further conveyed the desire of the Chief Justice Peshawar High Court to consult the August court when there is any discussion on the legal aspects of the Alternate Dispute Resolution (ADR) system.
- iii. The representative of Police Department, Mr. Fida Hassan, DIG Training KP Police conveyed that meaningful consultations between Police Department and the project authorities regularly take place. He further conveyed their concurrence on the annual work plan.
- iv. The representative of LGE&RD Department raised no observation on the work plan.
- v. The representative of SDC, Noting the Home & Tribal Affairs Department's plan to work on the Rule of Law strategy, offered technical assistance and a window of consultations to the department based on expertise which the SDC possess.
- vi. Secretary P&D Department suggested that:
 - i. Local government representatives must be fully involved in all activities where they can help to bridge the gaps between the masses on one hand and the Police, the Judiciary and the ADR systems on the other.

- ii. He also suggested that there should be a third party evaluation of the outputs of the SRLM project to guide the activities of SRLP.
- iii. He further suggested that there should be enough flexibility in the annual work plan to accommodate the evolving needs of all the concerned departments.

Decisions:

- i. The annual work plan of SRLP was approved in principle with the direction that the project authorities will share the annual working plan with all the concerned departments who will provide feedback within 10 days positively. The nature of the feedback will determine as to whether the matter be put to the next PRB meeting or approved on file by the Additional Chief Secretary, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.
- ii. The annual work plan needs to be flexible in order to accommodate emerging needs, course corrections and expected FATA reforms.
- iii. All donors interested in contributing to formulation of Rule of Law strategy should approach Home & Tribal Affairs Department.
- iv. The SRLP should look into the possibility of establishing a cell to consolidate the work done by different development partners in the domain of Rule of Law and plan synchronization of all future efforts in this regard.

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