

Pakistan

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#### **PROJECT SNAPSHOT**

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	and Human Rights Department		
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Core Resources:	\$ 15,000,000/-		
Non-Core Resources:			
Government contribution:			
Donor 1			
Donor 2			

**Project Brief Description and Outputs:** Decentralization & Local Governance (D&LG) is a multi-year, multitier, multi sector and multi-stakeholder project launched by UNDP Pakistan to strengthen participatory federalism and decentralization against the backdrop of 18th Constitutional Amendment (2010). The Project views the 18th Amendment through a governance, development and public policy lens and identifies strategic areas of intervention to transition management of democratic devolution at federal, provincial and local levels. The core objective of the project is to assist institutional mechanisms to strengthen effective service delivery for peace and development and ultimately contribute to the Sustainable Development Goals.

D&LG Project has four outputs:

- Constitutional Federal organs are successfully established to conduct devolution related duties and are supported on policy, regulatory and supervisory roles.
- Provincial Governments are technically supported to develop legislative, institutional and policy frameworks on devolved subjects.
- Local Governments incorporate and use methodologies of participatory development planning, implementation and monitoring.

• Decentralization and local governance is integrated in advocacy and civil society agenda.

Overall Project Quality Rating (mark on the scale of 1 to 5 as per the following criteria):

Exemplary (5)		n (4) **	Satisfactory (3) ***	Poor (2) **	Inadequate (1) *
All outputs are rated High or Exemplary	rated Sat or highe least two are rated	outs are cisfactory er, and at o criteria d High or aplary	One output may be rated Poor, and all other criteria are rated Satisfactory or higher	Two outputs are rated Poor, and all other criteria are rated Satisfactory or higher	One output is rated Inadequate, or more than two criteria are rated Poor
Budget 2017		1,466,302			
Expenditure 2017		1,296,674			
Delivery %		88%			

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# 1. INTRODUCTION

The 18th Amendment to the Constitution of Pakistan represents a landmark in the history of Pakistan, both on the political front, as well as in terms of governance reforms. The amendment has redefined the structural contours of the state through a paradigm shift from a heavily centralized to predominately decentralized federation which will also heavily impact on the lives of the citizens of Pakistan.

The Amendment introduced reforms which gave unprecedented autonomy to provinces in legislative, fiscal and administrative domains these include expanding provincial exclusivity in social sector governance by devolving all subjects related to local governance, human rights, social welfare, education, environment, health, labor, sports, women development, minorities' affairs and youth affairs. However, the implementation and institutionalization of decentralization faces significant challenges in a state, which has a strong legacy of a dominant center.

In light of these changes, provincial governments need support to take advantage of the new constitutional power arrangements and to develop context specific legislative, institutional and policy frameworks. Therefore, the Decentralization and Local Governance (D&LG) project was designed by UNDP, Pakistan whose core objective is to develop institutional mechanisms for effective, responsive and accountable service delivery for peace, development and ultimately contribute towards the Sustainable Development Goals.

In designing and delivering its support the project's mandate is anchored in inclusive human development; that is leaving no one behind in actively improving people's lives, creating concrete opportunities and creating an enabling environment for all right holders to claim the national and international human rights owed to them, from duty bearers. The project links its outputs specifically with the Vision 2025 of the Government of Pakistan through its Pillar I-Putting People First – developing Human & Social Capital and Pillar III- Strengthening institutions and deliver the benefits of devolution of powers to provincial governments as prescribed in the 18th Amendment.

# 2. SITUATION ANALYSIS

Pakistan like many other developing countries faces significant structural impediments that constrain its efforts to alleviate poverty and promote sustainable social development. Unequal distribution of wealth, unstable democratic system, weak institutional structures, lack of transparency and accountability, lack of skilled human resource and vulnerability to disaster and climate change are amongst key challenges that Pakistan is facing.

Through the Decentralization and Local Governance project UNDP aims to contribute towards Pakistan's governance challenges by strengthening the capacity of federal, provincial and local level institutions to develop robust institutional, legal and administrative mechanisms to support decentralized service delivery.

At the federal level the project envisions to provide technical support to the Council of Common Interest Secretariat through policy, institutional and advocacy support. During the past year, this support could not materialize due to lack of availability of financial resources and the Federal Government's reluctance to establish a permanent secretariat of the CCI. However, during the last quarter of 2017, the CCI positioned itself as an important stakeholder in the Federation of Pakistan through its consensus building efforts and decisions on oil and gas and the census of Pakistan.

At the provincial level, the 18<sup>th</sup> Amendment brought about a paradigm shift in the architecture of governance in Pakistan by providing unprecedented autonomy to provinces in legislative, fiscal and administrative domains. However, provincial inaction, lack of existing capacities and lack of strong institutional and legal frameworks on devolved subjects have resulted in non-realization of the results of the 18<sup>th</sup> Amendment. To address these challenges, the project targeted its support towards two main line departments in 2017 that include; Law, Parliamentary Affairs and Human Rights Department and Local Government Department. The technical assistance revolved around policy, institutional and capacity building support through providing operational substance, innovative solutions and implementation support for decentralized governance mechanisms.

At the local level, the provisions of Article 140-A of the Constitution of Pakistan makes it mandatory upon provinces to devolve authority, power and resources to elected local governments. Provinces have made progress in decentralizing authority for service delivery through different Local Government Acts in all four provinces, however little progress has been made in empowering these local governments. The D&LG project in 2017 through its community-level interventions empowered youth councilors in 1 district in KP to act as agents of change within their communities to enhance resilience and socio-economic stabilization of vulnerable populations.

# 3. PROJECT PERFORMANCE AND RESULTS

# 3.1. Contribution towards Country Programme Outcome<sup>1</sup>

CPAP Outcome: Strengthened Decentralized Governance

Strengthened Decentralized Governance							
Indicator(s): Number of	Baseline: 18 <sup>th</sup>	Target(s): 1	Achievement(s):				
gender-sensitive	Constitutional	Gender-	1. Technical assistance in				
legislative reforms;	Amendment	sensitive	articulation of a draft bill				
capacity-building	passed in 2010	legislative	for the Protection of				
initiatives that facilitate	and provinces	reforms; 3	Transgender & Intersex				
implementation of the	to pass	Capacity	Persons.				
18th Amendment;	necessary	building	2. Trained 144 line				
	legislation and	initiatives	departments officials				
	reorganization		including 30 women				
	to complete		functionaries from 15				
	the process		administrative				
			departments at the				
			provincial level in KP on				
			their roles, responsibilities				
			<ol> <li>Developed a resource kit and trained 14 district</li> </ol>				
			attorneys, deputy district attorneys and KP				
			Directorate of Human				
			Rights officials.				
			4. Provided the KP Human				
			Rights Directorate with an				
			information management				
			system for data collection,				
			analysis and reporting.				
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Description of output lovel	   high/outcomo.lo	 	in 2017.				

Description of output level high/outcome level results achieved in 2017:

In order to contribute towards the progress of CPAP outcome the project undertook 1 gendersensitive legislative reform; 3 capacity-building initiatives. [CPD#47.1]. The project outputs two contributed towards CCPAP outcome of strengthened decentralized governance. Under

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Outcomes describe the intended changes in development conditions that result from the interventions of governments and other stakeholders, including international development agencies such as UNDP. They are medium-term development results created through the delivery of outputs and the contributions of various partners and non-partners. Outcomes provide a clear vision of what has changed or will change globally or in a particular region, country or community within a period of time. They normally relate to changes in institutional performance or behavior among individuals or groups. Outcomes cannot normally be achieved by only one agency and are not under the direct control of a project manager.

gender-sensitive legislative reforms, the project supported the National Commission of Human Rights in development of a draft bill for for the Protection of Transgender & Intersex Persons.

Three capacity building initiatives were undertaken which lead to positive progress for the outcome indicator these include a) building capacity of line departments officials at the provincial level on rights based governance b) Development of a resource kit and training of trainers for district front line officers in KP and c) Rights based data collection, analysis and reporting strengthened through establishment of a management information system for Directorate of HR KP.

#### Promotion and Protection of Vulnerable Populations

D&LG in collaboration with National Commission on Human Rights provided technical assistance in articulation of a draft bill for the Protection of Transgender & Intersex Persons [CPD **47.1**] in Pakistan along with the proposed amendments in the existing Penal Code. In terms of Action leading to the above, UNDP along with UNAIDS, UN Women, ILO and the UNRCO – in collaboration with the National Commission on Human Rights - coordinated a comprehensive series of consultations with Trans Gender (TG) persons and groups along with Human Rights groups and relevant government stakeholders from all the 4 provinces of Pakistan on the issue of developing legislative umbrella for the protection of the TG persons in Pakistan. UNDP and its partners' intensive spate of advocacy and coordination with legislators, federal government authorities, HRIs and provincial governments – along with technical assistance from the UNDP Pakistan has led to the articulation of a draft bill for the 'Protection of Transgender & Intersex Persons,' in Pakistan along with proposed amendments in the existing Penal Code. [E1] (Output 2)

### Strengthened capacity of human rights department's & institution's officials in KP

In order to build the capacity of officials of line departments on their roles, responsibilities and mandate UNDP trained 144 line departments' officials including 30 women functionaries from 15 administrative departments with a special focus on National Commission on the Status of Women [**CPD 47.1**]. Through these trainings the Government of KP was able to fulfil its Universal Periodic Review reporting obligation to the Federal Government. [**E2**]

In addition, trainings at the district level strengthened the capacity of district officials to understand decentralized rights based governance mechanisms this was achieved through development of resource kit and training module which was used to provide trainings for 14 district attorneys, deputy district attorneys and KP Directorate of Human Rights officials. This pool of master trainers trained 93 officials (20 women) from KP [CPD 47.1 **[E2]** 

To improve provincial rights based data collection, analysis and reporting mechanims UNDP provided the KP Human Rights Directorate with an information management system. [CPD 47.1] The system is currently a work in progress and is expected to be completed in the first quarter of 2018. **[E3] (Output 2)** 

Means of Verification:

E-1 Draft Bill Protection of Transgender & Intersex Persons in Pakistan

E 2- Training Reports fundamental rights post 18th amendment, UPR mechanisms and Pakistan reporting, treaty body reporting system

E 3- Prototype Design Management Information System

# 3.2. Progress towards Project Results/Outputs<sup>2</sup>

Project Output I:							
Constitutional Fed	Constitutional Federal organs are successfully established to conduct devolution related duties						
and are supported	on policy, regulato	ry and s	upervisory r	oles.			
Indicator(s):	Baseline:		Target(s):		Achievemer	nt(s):	
Indicator 1.1: Exter	nt to Baseline 1	.1:	Targets 1.1:	2=	No Proaress	under this output	
which an independ			CCI establis				
secretariat of CCI is		ont	but not	incu			
established and	secretaria		functional				
	establishe	-		- I			
functional	establishe	ea	(Institution	-			
			design of C				
Scale: 1= Not estat			developed	&			
2= CCI established			consensus				
not functional 3= 0	CCI		reached				
established but pa	rtially		between				
functional 4= CCI	-		provinces)				
established and w	vell						
functional							
	Description of output level <u>results achieved</u> in 2016:						
	Target 1.1						
The project could not deliver any planned activities under this output due to lack of availability							
	of financial resources. Moreover the Federal Government's reluctance to establish a permanent						
	secretariat of CCI has also contributed to lack of interest of development partners to undertake						
	CCI temporary seci		oninterest o	i acve	lopinent pure		
	tus (mark the output		o scolo of 1 t	0.5.261	oor the follow	ving critoria):	
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The project is expected to over-	The project is expected to over-		project is ed to achieve		e project is ted to partially	Project outputs will likely not be achieved	
achieve targeted	achieve targeted		d outputs with		eve targeted	and/or are not likely to	
outputs and/or	outputs and/or		ted levels of	output	s, with less than	be effective in	
expected levels of	expected levels of	C	quality	expe	cted levels of	supporting the	
quality, and there is	quality				quality	achievement of	
evidence that outputs are contributing to						targeted outcomes	
targeted outcomes							
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Outputs are short-term development results produced by project and non-project activities. They must be achieved with the resources provided and within the time-frame specified (usually less than five years).

Project Output II:						
<b>Project Output II:</b> Provincial Governments are technically supported to develop legislative, institutional and						
policy frameworks on devolved subjects.						
Indicator(s): Indicator 2.1: Extent to which technical capacity of provincial departments & institutions on decentralized governance is enhanced Scale: 1= No capacity 2= Very partial capacity 3= Partial capacity 4= Capacity largely in place Indicator 2.2: Extent to which inter-provincial coordination is improved Scale: 1= Not at all 2= to a very partial extent 3= to some extent 4= to a significant extent 5= to full extent	Baseline: Baseline 2.1: 1= No capacity (Technical support provided to KP Law Dept. workshops & trainings on HR protection mechanisms Baseline 2.2: 2= to a very partial extent (4 inter- provincial meetings held, none institutionalized yet)	Target(s) Targets 2.1: 2= Very partial capacity (HR policy development, trainings & technical assistance to HR institutions, policy recommendati ons to ensure TGs have access to fundamental rights) Target 2.2: 2= Very Partial Capacity (2 interprovincial meetings organized and at least 1 institutionalize d in departments)	<ul> <li>Achievement(s):</li> <li>2.1.1 Trained 144 line departments officials including 30 women functionaries from 15 administrative departments at the provincial level in KP on their roles, responsibilities</li> <li>2.1.1 Developed a resource kit and trained 14 district attorneys, deputy district attorneys and KP Directorate of Human Rights officials.</li> <li>2.1.1: Provided the KP Human Rights Directorate with an information management system for data collection, analysis and reporting.</li> <li>2.1.2 Technical assistance in articulation of a draft bill for the Protection of Transgender &amp; Intersex Persons.</li> <li>2.2.1 Enhanced interprovincial coordination through interprovincial governance and Rights Development</li> </ul>			
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#### Target 2.2

# Increased interprovincial Coordination through interprovincial meetings on Local Governance and Health Governance

UNDP organized two interprovincial meetings in areas of local governance and rights development. The two-day meetings included participants from relevant line departments from all four provinces across Pakistan. The meetings deliberated on strengthening legislative, institutional and data collection dimensions of improving governance mechanisms in the post devolution scenario. The meetings provided the four provinces an opportunity to discuss their approaches challenges and best practices towards governance reforms after the 18<sup>th</sup> amendment. **[E4]** 

Overall Output Status (mark the output on the scale of 1 to 5 as per the following criteria):					
Exemplary (5)	High (4) ****	Satisfactory (3) ***	Poor (2) **	Inadequate (1) *	

The project is	The project is	The project is	The project is	Project outputs will		
expected to over-	expected to over-	expected to achieve	expected to partially	likely not be achieved		
achieve targeted	achieve targeted	targeted outputs with	achieve targeted	and/or are not likely to		
outputs and/or	outputs and/or	expected levels of	outputs, with less than	be effective in		
expected levels of	expected levels of	quality	expected levels of	supporting the		
quality, and there is	quality		quality	achievement of		
evidence that outputs				targeted outcomes		
are contributing to						
targeted outcomes						
Means of Verification:						
E-1 Draft Bill Prote	ction of Transgende	er & Intersex Persons	s in Pakistan			
	5			signs and Pakistan		
E 2- Training Reports fundamental rights post 18th amendment, UPR mechanisms and Pakistan						
reporting, treaty body reporting system						
E 3- Prototype Design Management Information System						

E-4- Reports on Interprovincial meeting on local governance and rights development and data collection

**Project Output III:** Local Governments incorporate and use methodologies of participatory development planning, implementation and monitoring.

planning, implementation and			
Indicator(s):	Baseline:	Target(s):	Achievement(s):
	Baseline 3.1:		
Indicator 3.1: Extent to which	2= to a very	Targets 3.1: 3=	• 3.2.1: Piloted in two
participatory development	partial	to some extent	districts a local & urban
planning, implementation &	extent	(10 VC/NCs	governance dashboard
monitoring is effectively	(10 VC/NCs	supported last	to support evidence
incorporated in LGs	in KP	year pass their	based planning,
	provided	budgets and	budgeting &
Scale: 1= Not at all 2= to a	technical	start	implementation process
very partial extent 3= to some	support &	implementation,	• 3.1.1:261 Youth
extent 4= to a significant	trainings,	in partnership	Councilors from District
extent 5= to full extent	build	with LG	Swat trained on their
	resilience	Department roll	roles & responsibilities
Indicator 3.2: Extent to which	amongst	out support to	to act as agents of
capacity of LG Departments is	vulnerable	other districts	change within their local
enhanced on managing their	communities	and provide	communities
roles & responsibilities	in one district in KP	specialized	<ul> <li>3.1.1:10 Integration</li> </ul>
Scale 1 - No capacity 2 - Vony		trainings to	support groups
Scale 1= No capacity 2= Very partial capacity 3= Partial	Baseline 3.2:	youth, women and minority	established led by youth
capacity 4= Capacity largely	1 = No	councillors in	councilors, village elders
in place	capacity	resilience	& teachers to support
	(Cells	building efforts)	communities in
	established		resilience building
	in KP &	Target 3.2: 3=	efforts.
	Balochistan	Partial Capacity	• 3.1.1:100 vulnerable
	only but LGs	(LG Cells in KP	youth supported
	not	supported to	through psycho-social
			support sessions to

operationali zed) UGs and act as liaison)	<ul> <li>address vulnerabilities arising from a post conflict scenario</li> <li>3.1.1 100 vulnerable youth imparted livelihood skills and employed in local district markets as apprentices</li> </ul>
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Description of output level <u>results achieved</u> in 2017:

#### Target 3.1

# Community interventions to empower and build resilience in communities through youth councillors

In addition, through its community level intervention in 2017, the project empowered youth councillors in district Swat in KP to act as agents of change within their local communities. The idea behind this initiative was to build resilience and socio-economic stabilization of vulnerable population affected by conflict. 261 youth councillors from the district were first trained on their roles and responsibilities, following which 10 integration support group of youth councillors, village elders and teachers were established to support communities in resilience building efforts. Through these groups 100 vulnerable youth affected by conflict in district Swat were identified and received psycho-social support sessions followed by livelihood skills trainings. The psycho-social sessions were organized to address vulnerabilities arising after the Swat conflict in 2008. The livelihood skills provided an opportunity for the youth to enter into formal employment to earn income not only for themselves but for their families as well. **[E6]** 

#### Target 3.2

#### **Effective Local Governance Devolution Management**

The Local Government Department established a transition cell in 2015 to support the department in transition towards effective local governments. D&LG project has been assisting the department through sector specific experts in this cell who provide assistance in administrative, financial and institutional responsibilities in order to ensure smooth transfer of responsibilities to the elected representatives. During 2017, the project continued this support for the first quarter after which the support extended to the department ceased as Local Government System has completed the transition phase. **(E7)** During 2017, the experts assisted the departments in finalizing the capacity building plans for elected representatives and supported the department in establishing a quarterly newsletter for providing updates on the local government system in KP.

#### Target 3.2

#### **Operationalizing Local Governments System in KP**

UNDP assisted the Local Government Department in KP to pilot a Local and Urban Governance Dashboard. The idea behind piloting this initiative was to strengthen the ability of elected local governments to plan, budget and monitor service delivery using an inclusive approach. Once the initiative was piloted UNDP generated government buy-in for the system, and will use this to embed the dashboard within the local government system during 2018. This initiative will enable local government in KP to use data from the local level through engagement of citizens to ensure an inclusive evidence based planning, budgeting and monitoring tool to improve local service delivery, which will eventually contribute towards achievement of the SDGs specifically on SDG 16.6, 16.7 and improve decentralized governance mechanisms. [E5]

## [IRRF# 3.2.2.A.1.1, 3.2.2.A.2.1, 3.2.2.A.3.1]

Overall Output Status (mark the output on the scale of 1 to 5 as per the following criteria):

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Exemplary (5)	High (4)	Satisfactory (3)	Poor (2)	Inadequate (1)
****	****	***	**	*
The project is expected to over- achieve targeted outputs and/or expected levels of quality, and there is evidence that outputs are contributing to targeted outcomes	The project is expected to over- achieve targeted outputs and/or expected levels of quality	The project is expected to achieve targeted outputs with expected levels of quality	The project is expected to partially achieve targeted outputs, with less than expected levels of quality	Project outputs will likely not be achieved and/or are not likely to be effective in supporting the achievement of targeted outcomes
Means of Verificati	ion:			

E5- Progress report Local and Urban Governance Dashboard

E6- Final Report Local Level Disengagement & Rehabilitation

**E7- Progress Reports Local Government Experts** 

Project Output IV:							
Decentralization and local governance is integrated in advocacy and civil society agenda							
Indicator(s):	Baseline:	Target(s):	Achievement(s):				
Indicator(s): Indicator 4.1: Extent to which awareness on decentralization & local governance is improved Scale: 1= Not at all 2= To a very partial extent 3= To some extent 4= To a significant extent 5= to full extent	4.1: 1: Not at all (1 seminar on civic engagement in LGs held, advocacy lectures through Pak study group, Citizens information & accountabilit	Target(s): 4.1: 2= to a very partial extent (RTI Forums established in KP and information requests filed for government accountability)	<ul> <li>Achievement(s):</li> <li>4.1.1:Citizens information and accountability Forum file at least 50 information requests for government accountability in KP</li> </ul>				
	y forum established						
	on RTI, 400						
	media						
	practitioners trained on						
	D&LG,						

devolution diary for public awareness, scoping study on extractives sector
governance)

Description of output level <u>results achieved</u> in 2017:

#### Target 4.1

#### Citizen Information and Accountability Forum (CIAF), Hangu (Khyber Pakhtunkhwa)

In Pakistan, it was not until the passage of the 18th constitutional amendment that basic rights such as the right to information was recognized as a fundamental right through Article 19-A of the constitution of Pakistan. UNDP provided support in operationalizing the right to information laws in one district in KP province by setting up 4 citizen's information and accountability forum in 2016. The forum consisted of citizens including representatives of youth, women rights organizations, minority groups, bar associations, traders' association, farmer's association, teachers association, NGOs/CBOs, university faculty, and press clubs. During 2017 these forums were able to increase public demand for transparency and accountability through 50 information requests and community awareness sessions for 500 selected citizens. **[E8]** 

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Means of Verificati	on:			

E8- Final Report Citizens Information and Accountability Forums

# 4. LESSONS LEARNT

The implementation of the project yielded certain key lessons these include:

• Massive constitutional reforms such as the 18th Constitutional Amendment require substantial time, resources, commitment and capacity to translate a federal framework into an effective and sustainable functional reality for the provinces. (CCPAP 4.4, Project output 1)

- Informal stakeholder forums with participation of different political parties should be undertaken to deepen understanding and implications of 18th amendment, and highlight challenges in implementation. (CCPAPA 4.4, Project output 1)
- There is a need to sensitize federal government and development partners on significance of CCI secretariat (Project output 1)
- UNDP needs to sensitize provincial governments on the significance of resource pooling. (CCPAP 4.4) (Project outputs 1,2,3)
- The use of innovate methods to collect, store, analyze and report data needs to be encouraged in Government institutions and departments (Project outputs 2, 3)
- Project needs strengthen provincial information exchanges, coordination and communication in key government counterpart departments to improve progress towards the devolution process. (CCPAPA 4.4, Project output 2)

# 5. THE WAY FORWARD/ KEY PRIORITIES FOR 2017

In 2018, all interventions under the project will work with and build capacities of existing and new institutional structures. The project will employ a consultative process in designing the project activities which will ensure that all interventions reflect the priorities of the relevant stakeholders. The priorities for 2018 include the following:

### Local Governance (Output 3)

- Continue to engage with Local Government Departments for improving coordination and implementation of participatory and integrated development planning in three more provinces.
- Institutional strengthening of VC/NCs in KP through data driven planning & budgeting support
- Interprovincial coordination on LG thematic subjects & service delivery
- Strengthen the capacity of Youth Councilors at District Level in KP to build a resilient foundation for development
- Continuing its work from last year, the project aims to sustain youth councilors led support groups by formalizing linkages with local district authorities (Health and Social Welfare) and will provide small grants to these groups in order to enable them to act as drivers of change within their local communities.

### Federalization (Output 1)

- Supporting Council of Common Interests (CCI) and Interprovincial Coordination (IPC) mechanisms
- CCI and IPC mechanisms will be provided technical assistance through institutional, policy, capacity and advocacy support.

### Capacitating the provinces (Output 2)

• Institutionalize Rights based mechanism in all 4 provinces.

- Social Welfare Depts. provided legislative & policy support for integration of marginalized populations of Pakistan.
- Technical Support to KP provincial assembly standing committee on legislative safeguards for rights development.

#### Advocacy & Outreach (Output 4)

- Work with CSOs to raise awareness & public demand for improved local service delivery.
- Formalizing youth councilors led support groups and provide small grants.

# Annex: AWP based Reporting Matrix

EXPECTED OUTPUTS	PLANNED ACTIVITIES (as	Activity	AWP	Expenditure	%
And baseline, associated indicators and annual targets	per AWP)	Status	Budget	(\$)	Delivery
		Completed,	(\$)		
		Ongoing,			
		Delayed,			
		Cancelled			
Output 1: Constitutional Federal organs are successfully established to conduct devolution related duties and are supported on policy, regulatory and supervisory roles.	No	funded activitie	es for 2017		
Indicator 1.1: Extent to which an independent secretariat of CCI is established and functional					
Scale: 1= Not established 2= CCI established but not functional 3= CCI established but partially functional 4= CCI established and well functional					
Baseline 1.1: 1= No independent secretariat established					
Targets 1.1: 1= No independent secretariat established					
Output 2: Provincial Governments are technically supported to	Action 2.1.1.a: Technical	Ongoing	376,062	116,605	31%
develop legislative, institutional and policy frameworks on devolved	support (human rights policy	0 0			
subjects	development, at least 5				
	trainings, 4 workshops, MIS				
Indicator 2.1: Extent to which technical capacity of provincial	development) to HR Departments and institutions				
departments & institutions on decentralized governance is enhanced	on HR promotion & protection				
	Action 2.1.1.b: Organize 4	Cancelled	22,369	9,895	44%
Scale: 1= No capacity 2= Very partial capacity 3= Partial capacity 4=	trainings for provincial treaty		,	-,	
Capacity largely in place	implementation cells on				
	oversight and data collection				
Baseline 2.1: 1= No capacity (Technical support provided to KP Law	strategy Action 2.1.1.c: Technical	Canadata	22.241	22.241	1000/
Dept. workshops & trainings on HR protection mechanisms	assistance to national and sub-	Completed	22,341	22,341	100%
Targets 2.1: 2= Very partial capacity	national institutions to develop their operational capacity				

(HR policy development, trainings & technical assistance to HR institutions, policy recommendations to ensure TGs have access to fundamental rights)	Activity Result 2.1.2: Rights mapping of vulnerable and marginalized populations of Pakistan to ensure their access to fundamental rights				opulations
Indicator 2.2: Extent to which inter-provincial coordination is improved Scale: 1= Not at all 2= to a very partial extent 3= to some extent 4= to a significant extent 5= to full extent Baseline 2.2: 2= to a very partial extent ( 4 inter-provincial meetings held, none institutionalized yet)	Action 2.1.2. a: Engage three experts (social, political & survey specialist/firm) in order to analyze root causes for discrimination of Pakistan's third gender population	Ongoing	94,300	80,524	85%
Target 2.2: 2= very partial extent (2 interprovincial meetings organized and at least 1 institutionalized in departments)	Activity Result 3.1.1 : Build resilience in communities, especially in the vuln and at risk-segments of population in 1 district in KP				ulnerable
Output 3: Local Governments incorporate and use methodologies of participatory development planning, implementation & monitoring Indicator 3.1: Extent to which participatory development planning, implementation & monitoring is effectively incorporated in LGs	Action3.1.1.a : Engage elected youth councilors at village level in 1 district in KP to establish integration support group	Completed	55,982	55,892	100%
<ul> <li>Scale: 1= Not at all 2= to a very partial extent 3= to some extent 4= to a significant extent 5= to full extent</li> <li>Baseline 3.1: 2= to a very partial extent (10 VC/NCs in KP provided technical support &amp; trainings, build resilience amongst vulnerable communities in one district in KP)</li> <li>Targets 3.1: 3= to some extent (10 VC/NCs supported last year pass their budgets and start implementation, in partnership with LG Department roll out support to other districts and provide specialized trainings to youth, women and minority councilors)</li> </ul>	Action3.1.1.b : Youth councilors through integration support groups provide training on basic education and livelihood skills in 1 district in KP	Completed	78,972	78,972	100%
Indicator 3.2: Extent to which capacity of LG Departments is enhanced on managing their roles & responsibilities Scale 1= No capacity 2= Very partial capacity 3= Partial capacity 4= Capacity largely in place					

Baseline 3.2: 1= No capacity (Cells established in KP & Balochistan only but LGs not operationalized) Target 3.2: 3= Partial Capacity (LG Cells in KP supported to operationalize LGs and act as liaison) Output 4: Decentralization and local governance is integrated in	Activity Result 3.2.1: LG D	Departments in K	P are suppo	rted in devolut	ion &
advocacy and civil society agenda	1	transition manag	gement		
Indicator 4.1: Extent to which awareness on decentralization & local governance is improved	- Action 3.2.1 a: Technical support cell in KP is supported through provision of 4 sector specific experts	Completed	30,000	30,000	100%
Scale: 1= Not at all 2= To a very partial extent 3= To some extent 4= To a significant extent 5= to full extent	Activity Result 4.1.1: Strengthen RTI processes in KP & Punjab through the creation of Citizens Information & Accountability Forums				
<ul> <li>Baseline 4.1: 1= Not at all (1 seminar on civic engagement in LGs held, advocacy lectures through Pak study group, Citizens information &amp; accountability forum established on RTI, 400 media practitioners trained on D&amp;LG, devolution diary for public awareness, scoping study on extractives sector governance)</li> <li>Target 4.1: 2= to a very partial extent (RTI Forums established in</li> </ul>	Action 4.1.1.a: Establish and training of 4 citizens information & accountability forum in one district in Punjab	Completed	40,742	19,354	47%
Punjab and information requests filed for government accountability)					
TOTAL			720,768	413,583	57%