



Project Summary Information

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Project Name	Karachi Water and Sewerage Services Improvement Project
Document Code	PD000082-PSI-PAK
Region	Islamic Republic of Pakistan
Sector/Subsector	Water: Watery Supply/Sewerage Management
Status of Financing	Approved
Project Description	<p>The Project will support infrastructure rehabilitation, capacity building of Karachi Water and Sewerage Board (KWSB), and improvements to the enabling environment for mobilizing private finance and enhancements in services delivery. It will help to improve Karachi's water and sewerage services delivery through upgrading of critical infrastructure; build technical and managerial capacity of KWSB; and expand the water and sanitation services to impoverished areas of Karachi. The Project activities are grouped in following three components:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Operational and Enabling Environment Reform: This component will build KWSB technical and managerial capacity and improve operational performance. The component will also prepare and implement planned enabling environment reforms – including improved institutional performance and operational autonomy – by supporting various activities including: revenue management, customer care, non-revenue water reduction, institutional reforms, social sector policy and <i>Katchi Abadi</i> (informal settlements) program.• Infrastructure Investments: This component will support investments in water and sewerage infrastructure, mostly rehabilitation of existing infrastructure. The activities will be implemented through a framework approach that guides the selection of capital investment according to an established criteria. This component will also support measures to improve energy efficiency in KWSB's pumping stations and treatment plants.• Project Management and Studies: This component will support project management costs including contract management; as well as the preparation of subsequent phases, including the preparation of safeguards documents, feasibility studies and tender documents.

Objective	The project Objective is to improve access to safe water services in Karachi and increase KWSB's financial and operational performance.
Expected Results	The project is expected to achieve the following Results: 1. Improved access to safe water services in project area 2. Increased KWSB's financial and operational performance
Environmental and Social Category	Category B
Environmental and Social Information	<p>The Bank has decided to use the World Bank's Environmental and Social Safeguard Policies (Safeguard Policies) since (i) these are consistent with the Bank's Articles of Agreement and materially consistent with the provisions of the Bank's Environmental and Social Policy and relevant Environmental and Social Standards; and (ii) the monitoring procedures that the World Bank has in place to ascertain compliance with their Safeguard Policies are appropriate for the Project. Under the World Bank's Safeguard Policies, the Project has been assigned Category B.</p> <p>The project upon completion will improve the environmental conditions of the city and contribute to the overall socioeconomic development of local communities. Major adverse environmental impacts include discharge of effluent and generation of odor and sludge from wastewater treatment plants; removal and disposal of solid waste during construction. No large-scale land acquisition or resettlement is anticipated in the project but limited involuntary economic displacement and temporary negative livelihood impacts may occur during construction due to civil works in densely populated urban areas.</p> <p>As the precise location of the civil works have not been determined, an Environmental Management Framework (EMF) and a Social Management Framework (SMF) which also includes a Resettlement Policy Framework (RPF) have been prepared, consulted upon and disclosed locally by KWSB (both in English and Urdu) ¹ and on the WB's website (in English)². The EMF and SMF confirm the required documents for sub-projects to be identified and confirmed during the implementation phase, including sub-project level Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA), Environmental and Social Management Plan (ESMP), and Resettlement Action Plan (RAP) or an abbreviated RAP.</p>

¹ <http://www.kwsb.gos.pk/View.aspx?Page=30>: [http://www.kwsb.gos.pk/SitePdfFiles/Executive%20Summary%20KWSSIP%20EMF%20in%20Urdu%20\(1\).PDF](http://www.kwsb.gos.pk/SitePdfFiles/Executive%20Summary%20KWSSIP%20EMF%20in%20Urdu%20(1).PDF);
<http://www.kwsb.gos.pk/SitePdfFiles/Executive%20Summary%20SMF%20KWSSIP%20in%20URDU.PDF>

² <http://projects.worldbank.org/P164704?lang=en>

	A multi-tiered GRM will be established and implemented for the project at local and central level. A Gender Action Plan (GAP) will be prepared during the project implementation but before undertaking any sub-projects and appropriate mitigation measures included in ESMPs and RAPs.			
Cost and Financing Plan	Loans/Credits/Others		Amount	
	Borrower		20.00	
	AIB		40.00	
	World Bank		40.00	
	Total		100.00	
Borrower	Islamic Republic of Pakistan			
Implementing Entity	Provincial Government of Sindh			
Implementing Agency	Karachi Water and Sewerage Board (KWSB)			
Estimated date of loan closing (SBF)	June 2025			
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Date of Concept Decision	May 9, 2018			
Date of Appraisal Decision	July 22, 2019			
Date of Financing Approval	September 26, 2019			

Independent Accountability Mechanism	<p>The proposed Project will be cofinanced with the WB. The Bank has agreed that the WB's environmental and social policies and procedures will apply to this Project and that it will rely on the WB's determination as to whether compliance with those policies and procedures has been achieved under the Project. The Bank is satisfied that those policies and procedures are consistent with the Bank's Articles of Agreement and are materially consistent with the Environmental and Social Policy and Environmental and Social Standards, and that appropriate monitoring procedures are in place. The Bank has further agreed with the WB that it will rely on that institution's corporate Grievance Redress Service³ and independent Inspection Panel⁴ to handle submissions relating to environmental and social issues under the Project. Consequently, in accordance with the Bank's Policy on Project-affected People's Mechanism (PPM), submissions to the PPM under this Project will not be eligible for consideration by the PPM.</p>
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³ <https://projects-beta.worldbank.org/en/projects-operations/products-and-services/grievance-redress-service#5>

⁴ www.inspectionpanel.org