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SESSION 2A:

CASE STUDY: How PRF helped Preparedness of Urban Sector Projects in Pakistan

Khyber Pakthunkhwa Cities Improvement Project - Project Readiness Financing Developing Resilient Environments and Advancing Municipal Services in Punjab Project (DREAMS)

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SESSION 2: IMPROVING PROJECTS QUALITY at ENTRY Case Study: Pakistan



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Project Readiness Financing (PRF) At a Glance

Purpose



Supports one or more ensuing ADB financed project(s) to ensure high project implementation readiness including cross-sectoral support for entire country pipeline

Size



Small-scale PRF: ≤ \$15 million approved by Vice President

PRF > \$15 million
approved by the ADB Board of Directors

Scope



Supports sector preparation

including sector studies, investment plans, feasibility studies, due diligence, detailed engineering design, safeguards pre-implementation work, advanced procurement actions, pilot-testing, capacity building, and limited project start-up activities

Financing



Through loans, grants and/or ADB-administered cofinancing

A project readiness loan may be refinanced under any ensuing or ongoing project to the same borrower.



PRF for more than one ensuing project

- (i) lists ensuing projects at the time of PRF approval, or
- (ii) includes eligibility criteria for project selection during PRF implementation

What can PRFs finance?

- Pipeline development
- 2 Sector studies
- Investment plans

- Feasibility studies, surveys, due diligence
- Detailed engineering design
- 6 Capacity development

- Pilot testing
 up to 50% of PRF financing
 or \$5 million, whichever
 is smaller
- Preimplementation activities for safeguards
- 2 Limited project start-up activities

What cannot be financed by a PRF?

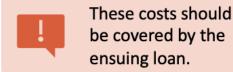
Project implementation costs





Land acquisition

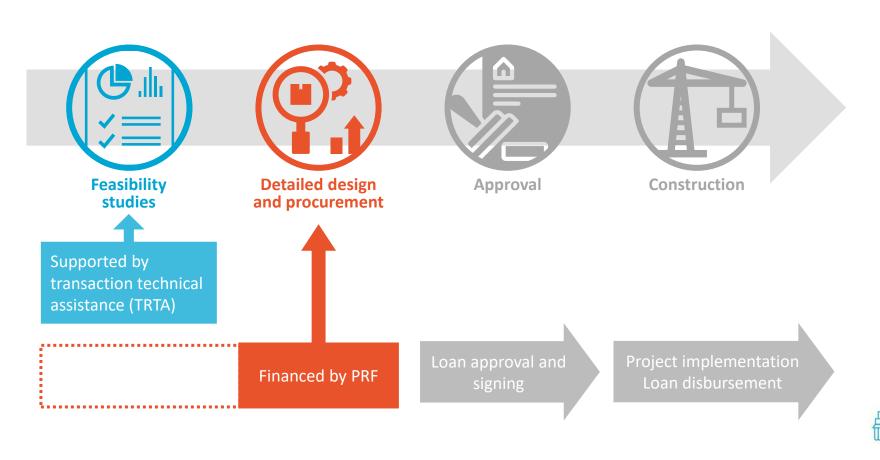




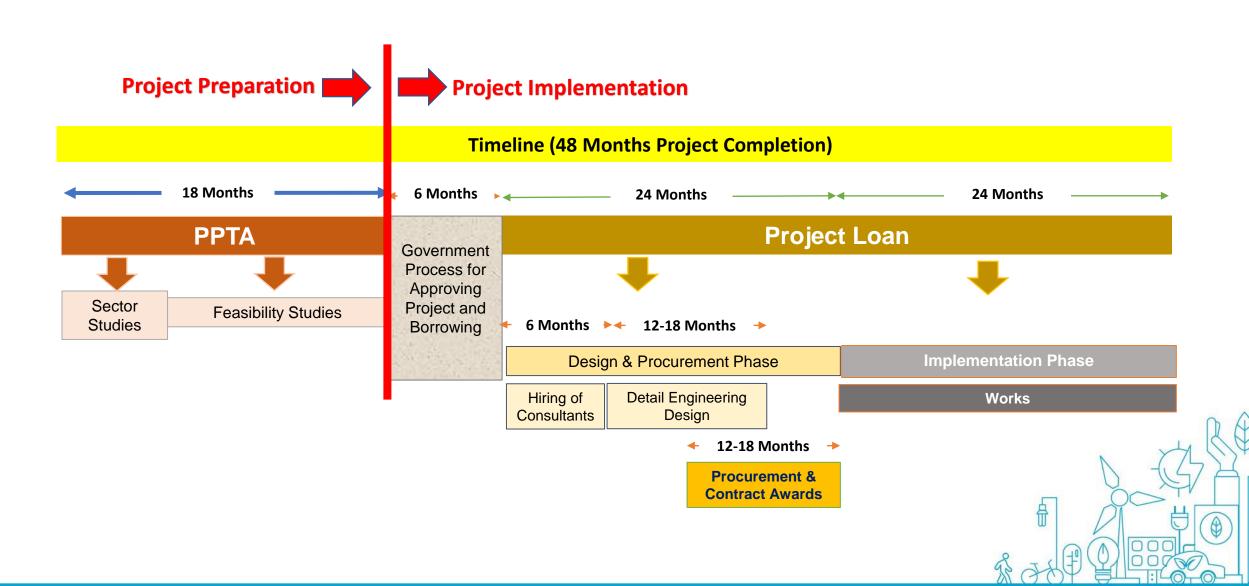


How does it work?

Synchronize TRTA and PRF Planning

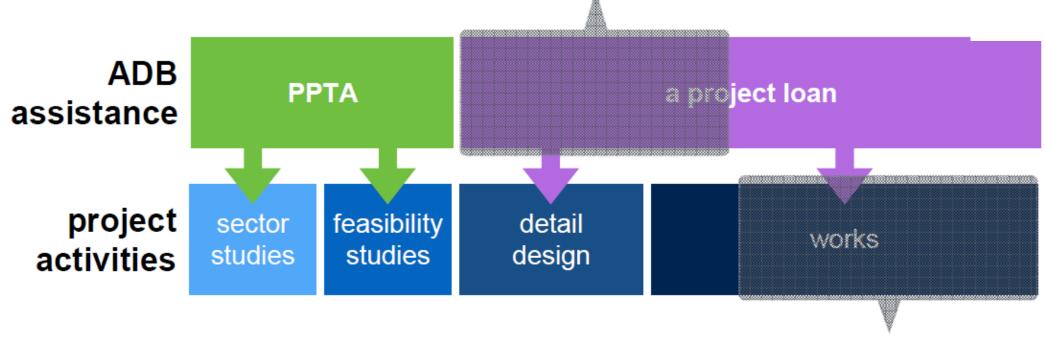


Conventional Approach of ADB Loan Approval and Implementation



Problems with the conventional approach?

low loan utilization, leading more commitment charges

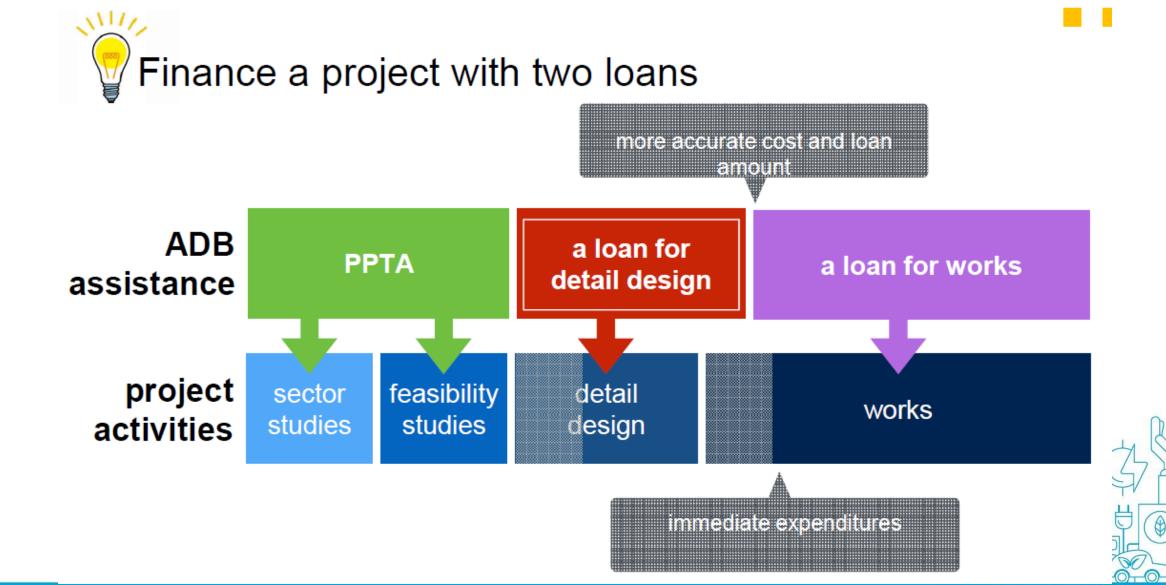


issues

significant expenditures incur here

cost to borrowers (commitment charges) lost investment opportunity for ADB

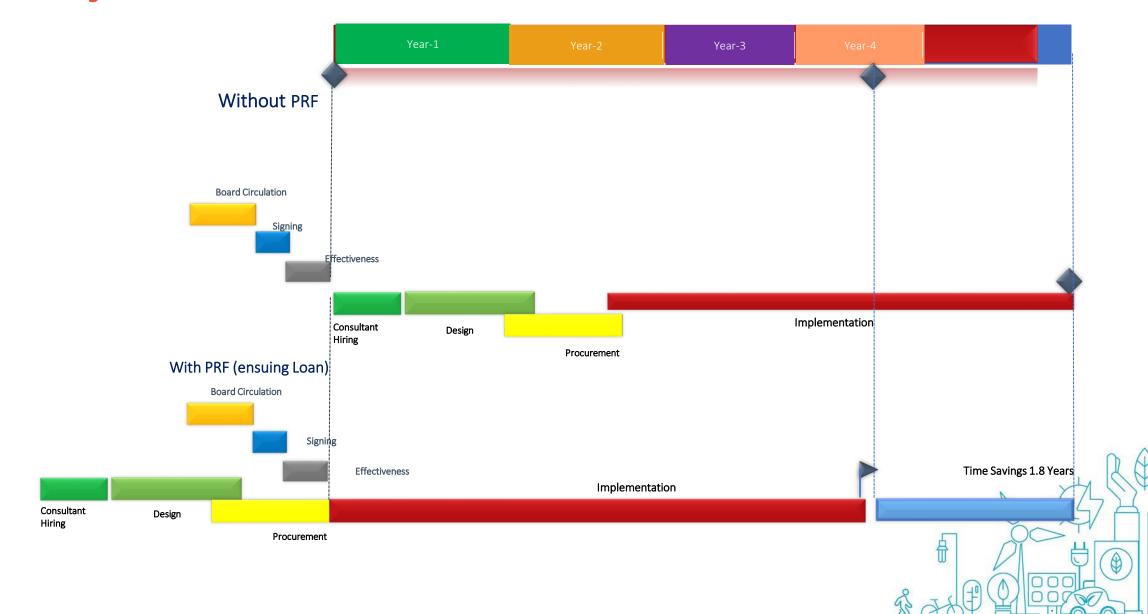
Introducing Project Readiness Financing (PRF) to Project Cycle



Advantages of PRF

- Good tool to conduct advanced preparatory activities for complex projects, notably in the urban sector, to ensure readiness ahead of loan approval:
 - ✓ Detailed Engineering Design (DED), incl. utilities' relocation plan, and accurate Costing
 - ✓ Advance Procurement activities (bidding documents, support for evaluation, etc.)
 - ✓ Update and finalization of safeguards documents (LARP, EIA) based on DED
 - ✓ Implementation of LARP and EMP (third-party monitoring)
 - ✓ Institutional developments and capacity building
 - ✓ Stakeholders' consultations and project communication
 - ✓ Social Impact Mitigation activities
 - ✓ Operational planning and financial modeling
- Gives you time to ensure buy-in internally (ADB), from the Client, and from affected communities
- Cost savings from commitment charges
- Timely establishment of institutions

Projects without PRF VS with PRF



Project without PRF

Lesson from

Punjab Intermediate Cities Improvement Investment Project (PICIIP)



Punjab Intermediate Cities Improvement Investment Project

Effectiveness: 16/03/2018 Loan Closing: 30/06/2026

Total Project Cost: \$250 Mil

ADB OCR \$200 Mil Government Share \$50 Mil

| Category | Amount Allocated for ADB Financing |
|--|------------------------------------|
| Equipment, Civil Works, Consulting Services - Project Implementation, Project Management | \$ 194.17 Mil |
| Consulting Services - Capacity Development | \$ 5.83 Mil |
| Unallocated | \$ 0 Mil |
| Total ADB Share | 200 |

Infrastructure sub-projects in Sahiwal and Sialkot: Improvement of Water Supply System, Improvement of Sanitation System (WWTPs included), Improvement of urban public spaces (parks, walk ways, greenbelts, bike lanes etc.)

Project Development:

PICIIP was processed in absence of a PRF

Urban Sector
Assessment
carried out under
CDIA



Consultations with the Government on project scope



ADB Approvals, Loan Signing & Effectiveness



Sub-sector Masterplans, Subproject feasibility, DED, Land Acquisition, EIA/IEE, Procurement



Implementation Phase

Civil Works implementation



Lack of Preparedness of PICIIP at the time of project processing

| Key Activities Carried Out Before Loan Signing | Completed before signing of loan |
|---|----------------------------------|
| Urban Sector Assessment and Government Consultations | ✓ |
| Subsector Master Plans | X |
| Project scope finalized in light of above activities | X |
| Detailed engineering design of all subprojects prepared | X |
| Operational plan and business models prepared | X |
| Preparation and Government Approval of Umbrella PC-1 | ✓ |
| Preparation and Government Approval of PC-1 of Sub-projects | X |
| Submission of EIA/IEE/EMPs to ADB and relevant Government departments | X |
| Submission of LARP of WATSAN and WWTP Schemes | X |
| Advance Procurement initiated for sub-projects | X |
| Land Acquisition process at an advanced stage | X |
| Establishment of companies, office space and equipment, hiring of key staff | X |

Issues faced due to lack of preparedness

The project lost 18 months in start-up delays due to:

- <u>Time taken to decide on project scope</u> by the government in the initial 2 years
- Preparation and approval of water and sanitation sub-sector plans for project cities
- Time taken for <u>Identification</u>, <u>feasibility</u>, <u>detailed design</u> and <u>procurement</u> of selected investments

Upto 2 years went into land acquisition, including:

- Conducting <u>Independent Valuation Study</u> (IVS)
- LARP preparartion and approvals
- Governemnt's land acquisition process (IVS integrated)

Preparation of EIA/IEE/EMPs and submission to ADB and relevant Government departments

Upto 3 years have gone into hiring of Consultant firm and preparation of <u>operational plans and business models</u> for water and sanitation companies.

5 years have gone by and <u>water and sanitation companies</u> have not been established yet that will take over the project investments

Project with PRF

Lesson from

Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Cities Improvement Project- Project Readiness Financing

(KPCIP-PRF)



PRF: Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Cities Improvement Project (KPCIP)

Effectiveness: 30/04/2019 Loan Closing: 28/08/2024

Total Project Cost: \$9.00 Mil

| ADBOCK \$7.00 WIII GIAIIL \$2.00 WIII | ADB OCR | \$7.00 Mil | Grant | \$2.00 Mil |
|---|---------|------------|-------|------------|
|---|---------|------------|-------|------------|

| Category | ADB Financing (\$ Mil) |
|-----------------------------|------------------------|
| Consulting Services (Loan) | \$7.00 |
| Consulting Services (Grant) | \$ 2.00 |
| Unallocated | \$ 0.00 |
| Total Base Cost (ADB Share) | \$9.00 |

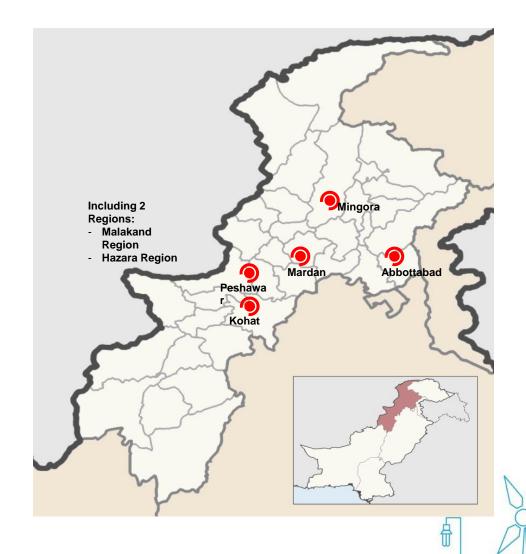
Ensuing Project:



Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Cities Improvement (Investment) **Project**

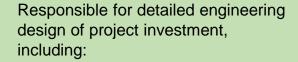
Net Loan/Co-Fin: \$585 mil

Processed in 2021



PRF Team's contribution to the processing of KPCIP

Engineering Design and Construction Management (EDCM)



- Engineering Surveys
- Detailed Designs of water supply, sanitation and sewerage infrastructure and integrated solid waste management (ISWM) of 5 project cities
- Bidding Documents

Project Management Unit (PMU) of KPCIP Project

Responsible for linking and coordinating with all teams, and:

- Project Management,
- Procurement Support,
- Institutional Development and Capacity Building

Institutional Reform and Capacity Building (IRCB)



Responsible for developing the operational systems of project investments, including

- Situation analysis and industry scan
- Comparative analysis and preferred operational and business models
- Develop and implement, institutional reforms, system improvement measures and capacity building of EA and IAs
- Develop and implement reforms for city governments
- KPIs and detailed documents for Design-Build-Operate (DBO) model of the ISWM project



Level of Preparedness of KPCIP at the time of project processing

| Key Milestones | Completed before signing of loan |
|---|----------------------------------|
| Situation Analysis, Stakeholder Consultations and Spatial Plans completed | ✓ |
| Project scope finalized in light of above activities | ✓ |
| Detailed engineering design of all subprojects prepared | ✓ |
| Operational plan and business models prepared | ✓ |
| Preparation and Government Approval of PC-1 | ✓ |
| Submission of EIA/IEE/EMPs to ADB | ✓ |
| Submission of LARP to ADB | ✓ |
| Advance Procurement initiated | ✓ |
| Land Acquisition process at an advanced stage | ✓ |
| Capacity Building of EA and IAs | ✓ |

Level of Preparedness: Comparison between projects with and without PRF

| | Projects with PRF | | Projects without PRF |
|---|-------------------|----------|-------------------------|
| Key Activities Carried Out Before Loan Signing | DREAMS-1 | KPCIP | PICIIP |
| City-level Spatial Plans/ Master Plans completed | ✓ | ✓ | X |
| Project scope finalized in light of above activities | ✓ | ✓ | X |
| Detailed engineering design of all subprojects prepared | ✓ | ✓ | X |
| Operational plan and business models prepared | √ | ✓ | X |
| Preparation and Government Approval of subproject PC-1s | √ | ✓ | X |
| Submission of EIA/IEE/EMPs to ADB | √ | ✓ | X |
| Submission of LARPs to ADB | √ | ✓ | X |
| Advance Procurement initiated | √ | √ | X |
| Land Acquisition process at an advanced stage | ✓ | ✓ | X |
| Institutions in place/ established that will take over the O&M of project investments | ✓ | ✓ | X |

Ensuing Investment Project: KPCIP—Effect of PRF

Loan Signing: Dec 2021
Effectiveness: April 2022
Total Project Cost: \$650 Mil

| ADB OCR | \$380 Mil | AIIB Share | \$200 Mil |
|-----------|-----------|------------------|-----------|
| ADF Grant | \$5 Mil | Government Share | \$65 Mil |

Infrastructure sub-projects (In 5 Cities of KP)

- 1. Urban Green Spaces (5 Lots)
- 2. Water Supply
 - a. Water supply network
 - b. Water treatment plants
- 3. Sewerage System
 - a. Sewerage network
 - b. Sewerage treatment plants
- 4. Integrated Solid Waste Management System (ISWM)
- 5. Gender Interventions

Within 6 months of loan effectiveness:

- 1. Signing of first contract: 45 days prior to effectiveness
- 2. Signing of first civil works contract: 77 days
- 3. Contract awards: \$53.1 million (14%)
- 4. Disbursements: \$7.3 million (13.7% of CA)

