



No.P&DD/RO(BSDI)-25-26/292
GOVERNMENT OF BALOCHISTAN
PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Dated: Quetta, the 16th January 2026

Subject: **Modified / Updated Criteria / Guidelines for Implementation of Balochistan Special Development Initiative (BSDI).**

With the approval of the Competent Authority, and in partial modification of this department notification No.P&D/AC(Prog:)/PSDP/2025-26/3725 dated 16th July, 2025 and in suppression of previous criteria / guidelines, the Government of Balochistan, Planning & Development Department is pleased to notify modified / updated criteria / guidelines to be followed by the District Coordination Committees (DCC) for implementation of schemes under the program "Balochistan Special Development Initiative (BSDI):

A. New Schemes:

- i. Issue a circular to the district head offices of all line departments for identification of areas to be covered under the Balochistan Special Development Initiative (BSDI). This circular should also be shared with MPA of the relevant constituency.
- ii. Hold a Khuli Kacheri to directly seek proposals from the public.
- iii. Notice of the Khuli Kacheri should be circulated and well-advertised at least 15 days before the Khuli Kacheri's convening date.
- iv. After seeking the identified area from the heads of the line departments; and proposals from the general public, a list of such proposals/concept papers be drafted.
- v. All the proposals (concept papers) shall then be thoroughly discussed and finalized by the DCC.
- vi. The meeting of the DCC shall be held as soon as possible.
- vii. The DC office shall compile list of proposals that are finalized in the DCC, in summary form showing at least the following details, namely:
 - (a) name and description of proposed scheme.
 - (b) relevant sector, for instance, water, education, etc.
 - (c) Tehsil / Local Council / Ward, etc.
 - (d) estimated total cost.
 - (e) Justification.
 - (f) tentative timeline for completion.
 - (g) expected outcome of the proposed scheme along with the estimated number of beneficiaries or area of coverage.
 - (h) brief remarks / comments on the proposed scheme.
- viii. Projects should be of public nature, benefiting the community at large and, ideally, of small nature that could be completed in 6-8 months.
- ix. It must be ensured by the DCC that no individual nature projects are considered
- x. It shall be the responsibility of the DCC to ensure that there is no duplication of proposed projects with the PSDP or the Local Government Development. They shall also ensure that the cost estimates are reasonable and appropriate.
- xi. The DCC, in their meeting, shall evaluate the proposals in detail and finalize all the proposals. In case the cost of all the proposals exceeds the total funds earmarked for any district, the DCC shall prioritize the schemes and rank the proposals as high, medium and low priority accordingly.
- xii. All such schemes, not included in the main list, shall be queued in the deferred list and may be re-considered at the time of the revision during the year.
- xiii. The minutes of proceedings of the DCC meeting shall be taken comprehensively with well elaborated recommendations for each scheme proposed.
- xiv. The concept papers, along with minutes showing recommendation of the DCC shall be submitted to the PSC through the Project Implementation Unit at the Planning & Development Department.

- xv. The DCC shall grant administrative approval to the schemes approved by DDC.
- xvi. The DCC will be responsible for timely execution and quality of scheme; (The DCC shall supervise the timely execution as well as inspect the quality of the scheme)
- xvii. The Executive Engineer concerned shall prepare bills/PCs as per work done basis/MBs and will forward the bill to the DCC, which will scrutinize, consider and approve the same (as per relevant rules). The DCC will only send minutes with a list of schemes along with details, like name of scheme, Executing Agency, DDO Code and amount of to be released, to the Provincial Steering Committee via the Program Implementation Unit (PIU), stationed at Provincial Head Quarter.
- xviii. Upon satisfactory completion of required process / scrutiny by the PIU/BSDI Section, the ACS (Dev:) will sanction the same and forward authorization to the Finance Department for making respective releases.
- xix. The amounts, so released, to the respective DDOs will be intimated to the DCC.
- xx. The Executive Engineer concerned will forward the bill to the Divisional Accountant for conducting pre-audit. The Divisional Account Office will online forward the pre-audited bills to the District Accounts Officer for endorsement and payments.
- xxi. The DAO will process the payment on the online payment system enabled under the RAAST platform of the State Bank of Pakistan (SBP). This facility has IBAN enabled transfer mechanism where payments are transferred without any intermediate steps involved. Whereas, cheque will be issued to the vendor only in a case where online payment could not be processed due to technical reasons.
- xxii. The bills of Local Government Department (currently not on Works Module) are to be processed as per current / routine practise followed by the District Accounts Office.
- xxiii. Responsibility of the audit would rest with the concerned DDO.

B. On-going Scheme

- i. The DCC shall meet at least once in two months and evaluate the progress of the ongoing schemes. Any proposal for revision of any scheme shall fully be based on merit and according to the specific requirements of the scheme.
- ii. The DCC shall submit a progress report to the PSC through the Project Implementation Unit on bi-monthly basis.

C. Process Flow

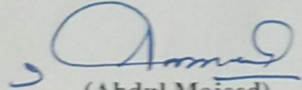
- i. Identification of development schemes by the DCC & its submission to PSC for short listing.
- ii. Preparation of detailed estimates/PC-1 by the DCC through concerned Ex-Engineer (10 days)
- iii. Consideration of the shortlisted proposal at the district level by DDC for technical evaluation of the project in line with relevant rules. DDC to serve as an approving forum of the estimates (5 days)
- iv. After approval of the DDC, DCC (through concerned Executive Engineer) to carry out procurement of contracting firm in accordance with relevant laws/rules. (25 days)
- v. Work Order to be issued by the concerned Ex. Engineer at the District Level. (3 days)
- vi. DCC will carry out monitoring of the projects; and ensure its timely completion in line with approved scope of work.
- vii. Parallel Monitoring by DCC/PIU/M&E Wing
- viii. PIU to hire firms for monitoring purposes.

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