



Strengthening State-Citizen Trust through Jobs, Services and Good Governance

HEADLINES



Balochistan Livelihoods and Entrepreneurship Project Gears Up for Job Creation

On March 3rd, 2020, the World Bank Board of Directors approved the Balochistan Livelihoods and Entrepreneurship Project. The project, which includes USD 15 million from the MDTF and leverages an additional USD 35 million of financing through the International Development Association, will provide skills training and catalyze new income generating activities across Balochistan.



First Business Process Outsourcing Facility Launched to Help Create Jobs for Women and Youth in KP

Financed under the MDTF's KP Digital Jobs Project, the Business Process Outsourcing Facility (BPO) will create 700 jobs for the youth of the province, particularly women. The facility features a safe working environment with 24/7 power, high speed internet, and disability access.

Learn more



The Community Support Program Attains Provincial Development Working Party Clearance

The USD 13 million Program that uses a community driven development approach has attained the needed government approvals and is set to negotiate and begin implementation in April.

FROM THE FIELD



Building State-Citizen Trust Through Improved Service Delivery

The Citizen's Facilitation Center (CFC) Project continues to build state citizen trust in the newly merged areas through provision of vital services. 6 CFCs are currently operational, and the Project aims to operationalize a total of 27. The CFCs bring together NADRA Registration and Financial Service Platform, the National Bank of Pakistan, and the Department of Health to deliver a comprehensive set of services to citizens in the newly merged areas. These include registration services like issuance of birth, marriage, divorce, and death certificates; financial services like atm machines, mobile top-ups, and utility bill payments; and health services like immunization. The project has successfully provided over 500,000 mothers to date with child wellness grants and vaccinated 92% of beneficiary family children (less than 2 years old).

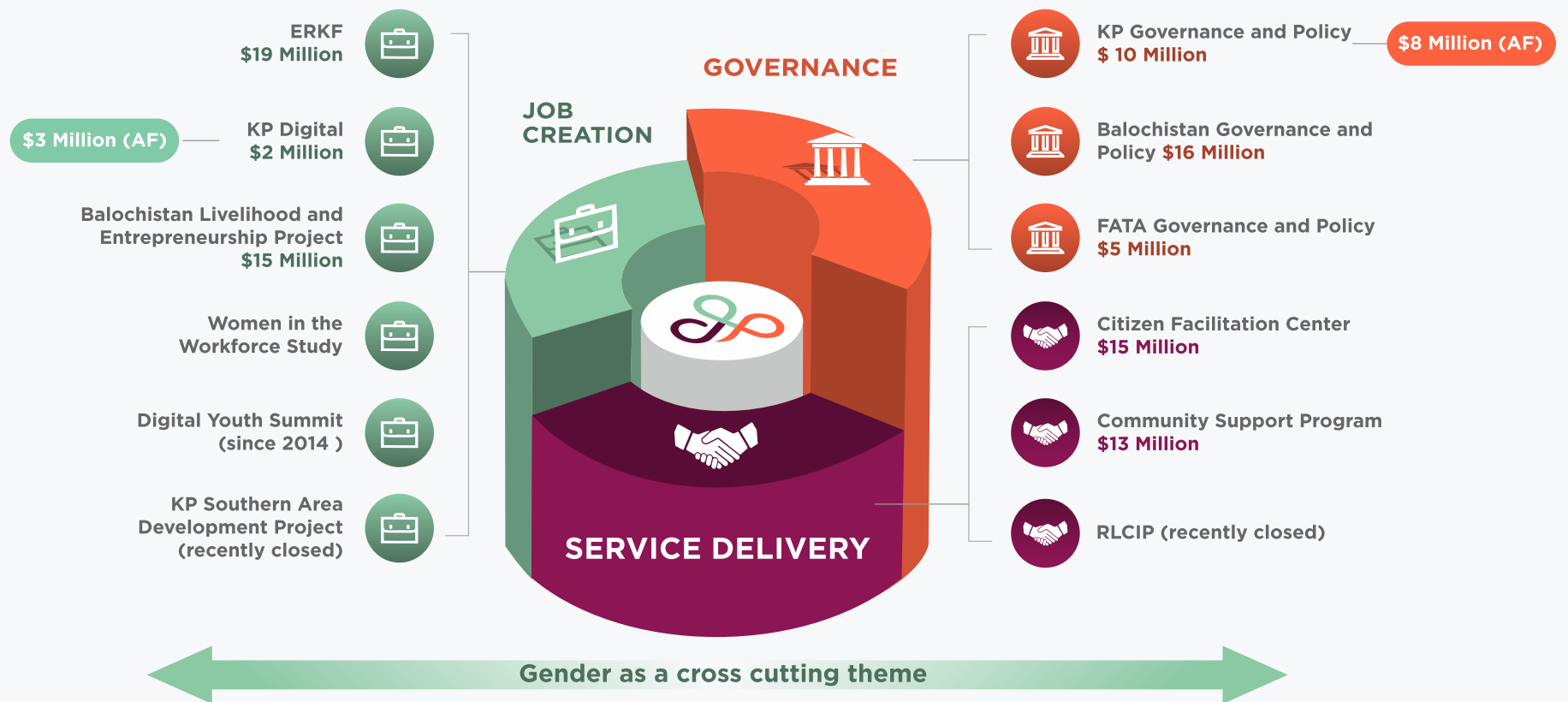


Realizing KP's Tourism Potential through the Economic Revitalization Project

The Economic Revitalization of KP and FATA project has helped create and restore more than 11,600 jobs by providing 2,298 matching grants worth 2 billion PKR (\$11.2 million) to the SMEs across Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and newly merged areas. Moreover, the Project implementing entities have worked towards helping the KP province realize its tourism potential. The project has contributed towards building the capacity of tourism authorities in Galiyat, Kaghan, and Kalam through provision of solid waste management equipment such as garbage compactors, dumper trucks, and dustbins; traffic counting system, road and snow clearing machinery; and tourist carts for Galiyat. It has also sponsored a tourism sector analysis for Kalam, Kumrat, Naran, and Galiyat. The project is also active in promoting tourism in KP through publishing of V-logs on Buddhist Heritage, Kumrat (Dir), Kalash and Broghil Lake (Chitral). Learn more.

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BUILDING STATE CITIZEN TRUST



IN MOTION | MILESTONES



Increasing Revenue in Balochistan -Sales Tax on Services Collection Increased 4 times in Balochistan from PKR 2.2 to 8.6 billion with help of the GPP Balochistan



Investing in Communities - SADP closed with 343 community driven infrastructure schemes completed and 2,082 community members trained in Office Bearing, Contract, and Fund Administration, 37% of which are women



Fostering Youth Inclusion - 8570 youth trained on digital skills, of which 514 are females, out of these, 1045 currently earning through online work platforms; of which 104 are females with help of the KP Digital Jobs Project

KEY DATES

- Women's Empowerment (WE) 2020 and Girls Learn Women Earn Event March 10, 2020, 2.45 pm to 7.00 pm, World Bank Group
- Advisory Committee Meeting - May 7th, 2020 (Tentative)
- Donor Visits to Project Sites - 30th March through 3rd April 2020 (Tentative)
- Report: A Decade of Building Communities and Citizens Trust through the MDTF -Draft to be circulated mid-March

NEWSFEED AND MEDIA

- Follow stories from our Beneficiaries on the MDTF FLICKR
- KP Inaugurates First Business Outsourcing Facility - Supported by KP Digital Jobs Project
- CFCs Announced - Supported by the CFC Project
- V- Logs - Supported by ERKF Project Buddhist Heritage Kumrat Kalash Broghil



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