

**LETTER OF COORDINATION AND COOPERATION  
BETWEEN  
ENVIRONMENT, CLIMATE CHANGE AND COASTAL DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT,  
GOVERNMENT OF SINDH  
AND  
TRANSPARENCY INTERNATIONAL PAKISTAN (TI PAKISTAN)**

This Letter of Coordination and Cooperation is entered into between Transparency International Pakistan (TI Pakistan), a civil society organization working to promote transparency and good governance in Pakistan, and the Environment, Climate Change and Coastal Development Department, Government of Sindh, to collaborate on the review and updating of the Sindh Environmental Protection Act 2014.

**Purpose**

This LoCC sets out the mutual understanding, roles, and responsibilities of both parties for providing technical, analytical, and coordination support for the comprehensive review and updating of the Sindh Environmental Protection Act 2014, to ensure that the law adequately addresses current environmental, climate change, and governance challenges.

**Objectives**

The Parties agree that the principal objectives of this LoCC are to:

- i. Conduct a detailed technical and legal review of the Sindh Environmental Protection Act 2014 to identify gaps, overlaps, and outdated provisions;
- ii. Integrate climate change mitigation, adaptation, and climate risk considerations into the provincial environmental legal framework;
- iii. Strengthen environmental impact assessment frameworks, enforcement mechanisms, institutional coordination, and environmental data governance;
- iv. Support an inclusive, consultative, and evidence-based process for updating the Act through relevant stakeholders.

**Scope of Work**

Transparency International Pakistan's research team shall undertake the following activities:

1. Conduct a detailed technical review of the Sindh Environmental Protection Act 2014, including:

- o Environmental protection and pollution control provisions
- o Climate change integration and climate risk considerations
- o Environmental impact assessment and strategic environmental assessment frameworks
- o Institutional roles, mandates, and coordination mechanisms
- o Enforcement, compliance, and penalty provisions
- o Environmental data management and monitoring systems
- o Update the list of restricted, prohibited and banned items
- o Provision of digital monitoring and approval process of SEPA in the Act

2. Identify and document gaps, overlaps, and outdated provisions within the Act and related rules.

3. Develop technical recommendations and proposed amendments addressing:

- o Modernization of environmental standards and definitions
- o Integration of climate change mitigation and adaptation considerations
- o Strengthening of EIA and IEE processes, including digitization and post approval monitoring

- Regulation of hazardous waste, emerging pollutants, and industrial emissions
- Improvement of enforcement tools, penalties, and compliance mechanisms
- Strengthening public participation, access to information, and grievance redress

4. Prepare updated draft of the Act in close coordination with the Climate Change Department, ensuring consistency and coherence of the revised Act.
5. Support the design and facilitation of stakeholder consultations, including:
  - Technical input to consultation agendas and materials
  - Participation of relevant stakeholders for consultations
  - Documentation and synthesis of consultation outcomes to be incorporated into the final document.

**Whereas the role of the Environment, Climate Change and Coastal Development Department shall include:**

- Providing access to relevant laws, rules, policy documents, and background information;
- Facilitating coordination with relevant provincial departments, parliamentarians, regulators, and stakeholders;
- Reviewing and providing timely feedback on draft amendments and technical recommendations;
- Supporting and participating of relevant stakeholders for consultations;
- Designating a focal point for coordination and communication.

#### **Duration and termination**

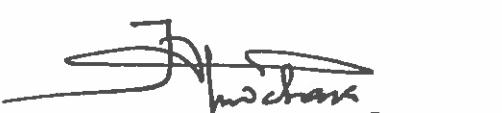
This LoCC shall remain in effect from **December 2025 to June 2026**, covering all activities related to the review, consultation, and drafting of the updated Sindh Environmental Protection Act 2014.

Either Party may terminate this LoCC by providing the other Party with at least thirty (30) days' prior written notice, stating the reasons for termination.

Any extension, renewal, or amendment of this LoCC shall be made in writing and signed by both Parties.

No financial commitment is created under this LoCC. Each Party shall bear its own costs associated with the implementation of activities under this collaboration, unless otherwise agreed in writing.

Both parties shall depute a focal point to oversee all engagement on behalf of the two organizations.



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