

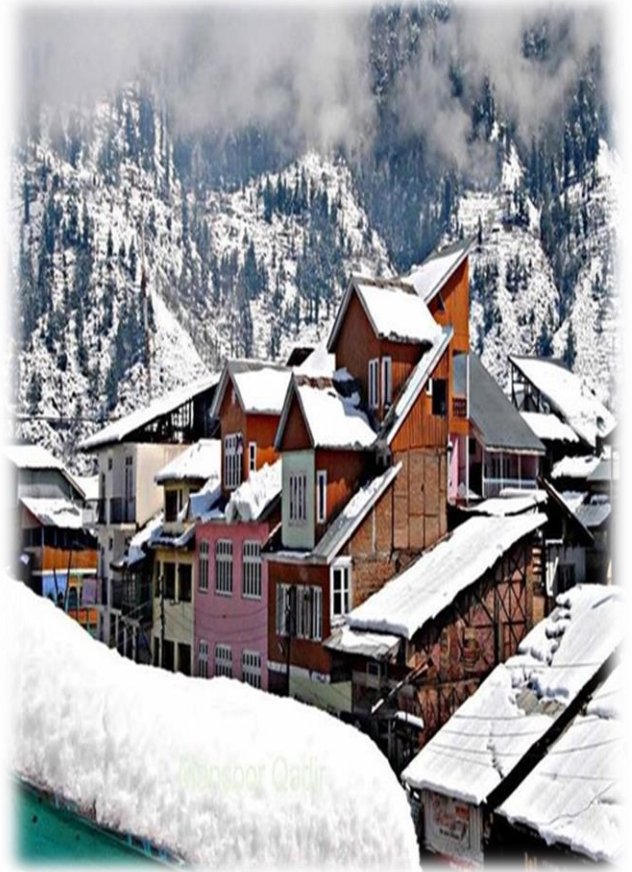


**GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN
MINISTRY OF KASHMIR AFFAIRS, GILGIT-
BALTISTAN & STATES AND FRONTIER REGIONS
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**MESSAGE FROM THE FEDERAL MINISTER
FOR KASHMIR AFFAIRS, GILGIT BALTISTAN & SAFRON**

The prime responsibility of Ministry of Kashmir Affairs, Gilgit-Baltistan & SAFRON is to facilitate and act as a bridge between Governments of AJ&K and GB. It is a unique responsibility and special challenge in order to ensure good governance and sustainable development in AJ&K and GB.

It is my pleasure to share the Year Book 2024-25 which has been prepared in pursuance of sub-rule (2) of Rule 25 of the Rules of Business, 1973 with the objective to provide comprehensive review of activities during the preceding year. This Year Book is an end result to depict a comprehensive picture of the achievements and futuristic strategies of the Ministry carried out during the year 2024-25.

I hope that this Year Book would prove to be informative and helpful to the readers and would be a useful source of information for all stakeholders and researchers.

I record my gratitude for all officers and officials who worked hard to compile the Year Book 2024-2025.

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Ministry of KA, GB & SAFRON***



Mr. Zafar Hasan
Federal Secretary for Kashmir Affairs, Gilgit-Baltistan & SAFRON

FOREWORD

I am pleased to present the Year Book 2024-2025 highlighting to the activities, performance, and achievements of the Ministry of Kashmir Affairs (AJ&K) and Gilgit-Baltistan (GB), Government of Pakistan. This publication has been prepared in pursuance of the mandate of the Ministry under Rule 25(2) of the Rules of Business, 1973, Government of Pakistan.

The Vision of the Ministry is as follows:-

“To assist and support the Governments of Azad Jammu and Kashmir and Gilgit-Baltistan Administration in strengthening institutions of self governance, promoting sustainable economic development and a political system that meets to the needs of the people”.

Based on the aforesaid Vision, the Ministry has remained focused on promoting prosperity, welfare and improved governance in AJ&K and GB. To translate this Vision into tangible outcomes, and to demonstrate abiding commitment to sustainable economic development in AJ&K and GB, a substantial number of development (PSDP) projects are being implemented. This Year Book provides an overview of these initiatives and other key achievements during the year. I am happy to report that our targets were achieved, owing to dedicates to the efforts of the officers and officials who remained committed to deliver public service.

This Year Book itself is part of our effort to remain transparent about all the work undertaken by the Ministry. It is hoped that this Book will serve as a vital reference book for the scholars, researchers and general public.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank and acknowledge the efforts of all the officers and officials of this Ministry who ensured the timely completion of Year Book 2023-2024.

The Ministry would highly welcome suggestions / comments, if any, to further improve future editions.

Mr. Zafar Hasan
Secretary

MISSION STATEMENT

“To advance Pakistan’s principled and peaceful position on the Jammu and Kashmir dispute in accordance with international law and relevant United Nations resolutions; to administer and support the affairs of Gilgit-Baltistan through effective governance, institutional strengthening, and inclusive socio-economic development; to oversee matters pertaining to the acceding and merged states; and to formulate and coordinate policies relating to Afghan refugees in Pakistan”

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Chapter-1

MINISTRY OF KASHMIR AFFAIRS, GILGIT-BALTISTAN & STATES AND FRONTIER REGIONS

1.1 Introduction

The Ministry of Kashmir Affairs, Gilgit-Baltistan & States and Frontier Regions (KA,GB and SAFRON) is a Federal Ministry of the Government of Pakistan, entrusted with the responsibility of formulating and implementing policies relating to the Jammu and Kashmir dispute, the administration and development of Gilgit-Baltistan, the affairs of the former and acceding States and matters concerning Afghan refugees in Pakistan, in accordance with the Constitution, the Rules of Business, 1973 and Pakistan's international obligations.

The Ministry of Kashmir Affairs was established in March, 1949, to deal with matters pertaining to Azad Jammu and Kashmir. With the evolution of constitutional and administrative arrangements, its mandate was subsequently extended to Gilgit-Baltistan, with a view to strengthening democratic governance, ensuring maximum devolution of powers and promoting sustainable and inclusive socio-economic development. The promulgation of the Gilgit-Baltistan, Empowerment and Self-Governance Order, 2009, followed by subsequent reforms has provided a sound institutional framework for autonomy, protection of fundamental rights and the functioning of an independent judiciary in the region.

The Ministry of States and Frontier Regions, one of the oldest Federal Ministry, has historically been responsible for the affairs of the former princely and acceding States, frontier regions and the management and welfare of Afghan refugees. In pursuance of S.R.O. No. 83(I)/2025, dated 4th February, 2025, the Ministry of States and Frontier Regions has been merged into the Ministry of Kashmir Affairs and Gilgit-Baltistan as a Wing. Consequently, the Chief Commissionerate for Afghan Refugees (CCAR) has been placed as an Attached Department of the Ministry. Necessary amendments have been carried out in the Rules of Business, 1973 and the Ministry has accordingly been re-designated as the Ministry of Kashmir Affairs, Gilgit-Baltistan and States and Frontier Regions.

The Ministry plays a pivotal role in advancing Pakistan's principled and peaceful position on the Jammu and Kashmir dispute, in accordance with international law and

the relevant resolutions of the United Nations. It coordinates with the Governments of Azad Jammu and Kashmir and Gilgit-Baltistan, their respective Councils, Federal Ministries and Divisions and other stakeholders, to ensure effective governance, institutional strengthening and the formulation and implementation of development policies and programmes.

In addition, the Ministry oversees matters relating to the acceding and merged States and formulates and coordinates policies concerning Afghan refugees, with a focus on humanitarian assistance, protection and durable solutions, in line with national priorities and international commitments.

Through comprehensive policy formulation, strategic planning, inter-governmental coordination and effective oversight, the Ministry functions as the principal Federal coordinating and policy-making body in these domains and remains committed to promoting democratic values, human rights, regional stability and the socio-economic uplift of the people of Azad Jammu and Kashmir, Gilgit-Baltistan and refugee communities, in furtherance of the vision and objectives of the Government of Pakistan.

1.2 Functions of the M/o KA, GB & SAFRON as per Rules of Business, 1973

- Policy, Planning and Development for Gilgit-Baltistan.
- Co-ordination with the Government of Gilgit-Baltistan and Gilgit-Baltistan Council.
- Co-ordination with the Azad Government of the State of Jammu and Kashmir and the AJ&K Council.
- Matters relating to the Settlement of Kashmir dispute, other than those falling within the purview of the Foreign Affairs Division.
- Administration of Jammu and Kashmir State Property in Pakistan.
- Processing of development schemes reflected in the PSDP of M/o Kashmir Affairs and Gilgit-Baltistan at the level of CDWP and ECNEC.
- Co-ordination between the Federal Government Organizations and the Government of Gilgit-Baltistan and the Gilgit-Baltistan Council.
- Omitted vide SRO 83(I)/2025 dated 4th February, 2025
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- Coordinate with the Federal Public Service Commission on recruitment of various departments of Gilgit-Baltistan.
- Assisting Judicial Commissions on Boundary Disputes in ascertaining facts which are directly related with the national interests of Pakistan.
- Afghan Refugees.
- Affairs of the former and acceding States.

1.3 Administration Wing

SANCTIONED STRENGTH

S#	BS	Designation	No. of Vacancies	Filled	Vacant
1.	22	Secretary	1	1	-
2.	21	Additional Secretary	1	1	-
3.	20	Joint Secretary	2	2	-
4.	20	Chief Planning	1	1	-
5.	19	Deputy Secretary	3	3	-
6.	19	Deputy Chief	1	-	1
7.	18	Assistant Chief	2	-	2
8.	18	AO F&A	1	1	-
9.	17/18	Section Officers	13	11	2
10.	17	Research Officer	3	3	-
11.	17	AD Accounts	1	1	-
12.	17	AAO	1	1	-
13.	17	Network Administrator	1	1	-
14.	17	Private Secretaries	5	5	-
15.	16/17	Superintendent	2	2	-
16.	16	APS	13	10	3
17.	16	Assistant Admn Officer	1	1	-
18.	15/16	Assistant	16	15	1
19.	15	Protocol Assistant	1	1	-
20.	14	Stenotypists	8	5	3
21.	11	UDC	8	8	-
22.	9	LDC	11	11	-
23.	4	Staff Car Driver	10	9	1
24.	4	DMO	1	1	-
25.	4	DR	1	1	-
26.	1 & 2	Qasid/Daftry	5	4	1
27.	1& 2	Naib Qasid	23	22	1
28.	2	Farash	1	1	-
29.	2	Orderly	1	1	-
Grand Total			139	122	15

Functions

- Circulation of letter received from different Ministries/Division to Main Ministry and Government of AJ&K & GB and executive departments of the Ministry.
- Performance report.
- Circulation of Year Book
- Invitation of 23 March of every year.
- Black Day 27th October, 2024.
- Starred/Un-Starred Questions relating to the business of both the National Assembly and the Senate were properly replied, and replying.
- All meetings of Standing Committees of both National Assembly and the Senate were attended at Islamabad; presentations on all agenda items were given to

the Standing Committees and their recommendations were forwarded to the quarters concerned.

- viii. Several visit/meetings at different stations of AJK&GB were also attended and coordinated with AJK&GB Governments for both Standing Committees.
- ix. Co-ordination with the Government of Gilgit-Baltistan and Gilgit-Baltistan Council.
- x. Co-ordination with the Azad Government of the State of Jammu & Kashmir and the AJ&K Council.

1.4 Budget of M/o KA, GB & SAFRON

BUDGET 2024-25		Rupees In Million		
		Rs. in Millions		
S.No.	Name of the Spending Unit	ERE Budget	Non-ERE Budget	Total Budget
1	Ministry of Kashmir Affair, Gilgit Baltistan	185.000	108.000	293.000
2	Ministry of State and Frontier Region	166.260	69.000	228.260
3	Refugee Management Cell, AJK.	0.000	288.000	288.000
4	Gilgit Baltistan Council.	752.604	14.291	766.895
5	Directorate Of Health Services, AJK	20.878	14.000	34.878
6	J&K RRO Islamabad	5.000	1.000	6.000
7	Maintenance Allowance to Ex-Rulers	0.000	20.460	20.46
8	Afghan Refugee Organization (Isb, KPK, Punjab, Balochistan)	507.281	124.069	631.35
	Total:	1637.023	638.820	2268.843
PSDP Budget				
	Strengthening Institution for Refugees Administration (SIRA)	84.000	1350.000	1434.06

1.5 Pakistan Citizen's Portal

The Kashmir Affairs, Gilgit-Baltistan and SAFRON Division has demonstrated commendable administrative efficiency in the disposal of public grievances and tasks assigned by Prime Minister on TMS (Task Management System) Portal. The Division processed a total of 146 complaints under PMDU, achieving an impressive resolution rate of 96.5%."

"In addition, under the Prime Minister's Task Management System (TMS), the Division worked over 82 Tasks and has successfully completed them. This performance reflects the Ministry's commitment to transparency, responsiveness, and adherence to prescribed timelines in the execution of assigned responsibilities."

1.6 List of Sub-Ordinate Offices

- i. Office of the Administrator Jammu & Kashmir State Property Lahore
- ii. Chief Commissionerate of Afghan Refugees
- iii. Directorate of Health Services for Azad Kashmir

Chapter-2

Kashmir Wing

2.1 Events Regarding Kashmir

The FY year 2024-2025 once again proved that the Kashmir cause is not a matter of policy alone, it is the heartbeat of the Pakistani nation. Under the stewardship of the Ministry of Kashmir Affairs, Gilgit-Baltistan, States and Frontier Regions, three defining occasions, Kashmir Solidarity Day (5th February), Youm-e-Istehsaal (5th August), and Black Day (27th October), were transformed into powerful movements of unity, remembrance, and defiance.

2.1.1 5th February – Kashmir Solidarity Day

Background

Kashmir Solidarity Day has been observed since 1990 to remind the world of Pakistan's unwavering commitment to the Kashmiri right to self-determination. It reflects the unity of Pakistanis and Kashmiris, a bond that has only grown stronger with time.

Observance

On 5th February 2025, as the winter sun rose, Pakistan awoke not to a routine morning but to a collective purpose. At exactly 10:00 AM, the entire country paused for a solemn one-minute silence. Roads stilled, offices fell quiet, classrooms stopped their lessons, and markets came to a standstill. That silence, observed simultaneously from Karachi to Gilgit, carried more weight than a thousand speeches, it told the people of Kashmir: *"You are not alone."*

Soon after, a human chain was formed at the historic Kohala Bridge, the symbolic meeting point of Pakistan and Kashmir, embodying the eternal bond between the two. In Islamabad, the capital's Constitution Avenue became the stage of a massive rally, national leaders and APHC leaders, alongside thousands of citizens who raised their voices for Kashmir.

The day's highlight came when the Prime Minister of Pakistan, joined by the Minister for Kashmir Affairs, addressed a special session of the Azad Jammu & Kashmir Legislative Assembly.

Before this, the President's message, broadcast nationwide, had already set the tone of the day:

"We renew our unwavering support for the Kashmiri people's just... struggle for the realization of their inalienable right to self-determination."

The Prime Minister further declared:

“The Government and people of Pakistan renew their steadfast support to the Kashmiri people’s just and legitimate struggle for realization of their right to self-determination...”

And the Minister for Kashmir Affairs, speaking on behalf of the Ministry, reminded the gathering:

“Kashmir Solidarity Day is not just remembrance; it is a pledge. We pledge that Pakistan will continue to stand shoulder to shoulder with the people of Jammu and Kashmir until justice is served.”

Beyond the symbolism, the Ministry extended practical solidarity as well:

Rations were distributed in refugee camps, and financial assistance was provided to families of Jammu & Kashmir refugees, ensuring that Pakistan’s compassion was felt directly in the lives of those who have borne the brunt of displacement.

International Outreach

Pakistani embassies and missions abroad organized seminars, solidarity walks, exhibitions, and media briefings. From Washington to London, Beijing to Ankara, the voice of Kashmir echoed through halls of power and public squares. Diaspora communities joined in large numbers, giving the day a global resonance

2.1.2 5th August – Youm-e-Istehsaal

Background

Youm-e-Istehsaal has been marked every year since 2019, when India illegally revoked Articles 370 and 35A to strip Jammu and Kashmir of its special status. The day stands as Pakistan’s rejection of that unilateral move and its pledge to keep Kashmir alive in the conscience of the world.

Observance

Pakistan marked six years of India’s unilateral revocation of Article 370 with an even stronger resolve. At 10:00 AM sharp, the entire country once again stood still for a minute of silence, a silence heavy with memory and defiance.

Then came the roar of rallies: Constitution Avenue in Islamabad and the streets of Lahore, Karachi, Peshawar, Quetta, Muzaffarabad and Gilgit filled with citizens, refugees, and leaders. The Deputy Prime Minister, the Minister for Kashmir Affairs, and APHC leaders stood shoulder to shoulder with the people, their voices merging into a single cry of solidarity: *“Kashmir Banega Pakistan.”*

This year’s commemorations carried a deeper resonance because of the valor of Pakistan’s Armed Forces in May 2025 under Operation **Bunyān-ul-Marsūs**. When India attempted to escalate hostilities, Pakistan responded with remarkable strength, downing six Indian fighter jets and destroying several of their outposts and military

installations.

The Ministry ensured this victory was remembered across the country: rallies at Constitution Avenue, speeches, banners, and city branding campaigns turned public spaces into voices of solidarity. Banners lined major roads, monuments and roundabouts displayed messages of defiance, and the colors of Kashmir's flag fluttered across Pakistan. The branding was not decoration, it was narrative in action, a visual declaration that Pakistan's streets, hearts, and voices all stood with Kashmir.

The President's message reminded the world of Pakistan's unshakable resolve:

"Every year on 5th August, Pakistan reaffirms its strongest condemnation of India's illegal and unilateral actions and renews solidarity with our Kashmiri brothers and sisters."

The Prime Minister's message reinforced this commitment:

"We reaffirm the unwavering solidarity of the Pakistani people... Pakistan reaffirms its unflinching support... till the realization of [Kashmiris'] inalienable right to self-determination."

And the Minister for Kashmir Affairs, addressing the rally, declared:

"Youm-e-Istehsaal is not only a day of remembrance, but a day of resistance, a reminder to the world that Kashmir will never be forgotten."

International Outreach

Embassies across the world turned into centers of solidarity. Exhibitions, photo displays, cultural events, and panel discussions highlighted Kashmir's plight. International media coverage and diaspora participation extended the impact beyond Pakistan's borders, reinforcing the narrative at the global stage.

2.1.3 27th October – Black Day

Background

Black Day was observed on 27th October, 2025 to highlight atrocities of India in occupied Jammu and Kashmir. Ministry of Kashmir Affairs & Gilgit-Baltistan, coordinated with Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, AJ&K Government and other concerned quarters to observe the Black Day.

Key Achievements – 2025

- i. Nationwide one-minute silence observed on all three historic days, 5th February, 5th August, and 27th October, symbolizing the nation's unity and resolve.
- ii. Rallies at Constitution Avenue, Islamabad on all three occasions, led by the

- Deputy Prime Minister, Minister for Kashmir Affairs, and APHC leaders, with massive public participation.
- iii. District-level functions and rallies organized across Pakistan, amplifying the national narrative at grassroots level.
 - iv. Pakistani embassies and missions worldwide held commemorations, seminars, and exhibitions, internationalizing the message.
 - v. APHC leaders and Kashmiri refugees included in all central commemorations, strengthening legitimacy and inclusivity.
 - vi. 183 NOCs (Annexure-C) issued to Kashmiri residents for applying to jobs and admission in Pakistan's public sector universities.
 - vii. 162 Kashmiri students facilitated for admission under the Kashmir Quota in Medical Programs in different Pakistani universities.
 - viii. 111 Kashmiri students facilitated for admission under the Kashmir Quota in different BS, M-Phil Programs in Pakistani universities.
 - ix. 11 Exit Control List (ECL) cases of Kashmiri residents pursued with the Ministry of Interior.
 - x. Mangla Dam raising project issues taken up with concerned ministries/divisions.
 - xi. Coordinated with Government of Punjab and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa for the settlement and rehabilitation of Kashmiri refugee families.
 - xii. Complaints and issues of Jammu & Kashmir refugees settled in Kashmir colonies in Jhelum and Gujranwala were resolved.

2.2 Pak. Day Parade (23rd March)

Ministry of Kashmir Affairs & Gilgit-Baltistan coordinate with AJ&K Government and other concerned quarters in preparation of AJ&K Float for 23rd March, Pakistan Day Parade whenever it was assembled.

2.3 Grant of Fresh Scholarships to AJ&K Local & J&K Refugees Students (Calendar Year 01-01-2023 to 31-12-2023)

The Kashmir Section continued its mission of supporting education and empowering the Kashmiri youth by awarding fresh scholarships and stipends during the Calendar Year 2023. The program was conceived with the dual purpose of rewarding merit and addressing financial hardships, ensuring that talented students of AJ&K and J&K Refugee families are not deprived of higher education opportunities due to economic barriers.

For the year under review, 237 scholarships/stipends were awarded across nine different disciplines, reflecting a focused approach towards quality and priority areas of study. This demonstrates both a consolidation and progression of the scholarship program compared to the previous year, with increased per-student support to strengthen individual educational journeys.

2.3.1 Scholarships to Jammu & Kashmir State Subject

A sum of Rs. 5,925,000/- (5.925 million) was disbursed as scholarships/stipends to J&K State Subject students enrolled in Universities and Institutions of Pakistan and

AJ&K. This investment not only relieved families from financial strain but also motivated students to pursue higher education with renewed dedication.

2.3.2 Grant of Renewal of Scholarships

To ensure continuity of learning and recognition of consistent academic performance, Rs. 6,825,000/- (6.825 million) was allocated to 212 students under Renewal Scholarships. This provision allowed previously supported students to successfully progress in their ongoing academic programs.

2.3.3 Financial Assistance to Deserving People of AJ&K

Recognizing that some deserving individuals require immediate relief beyond formal education, Rs. 240,000/- was disbursed as financial assistance to twenty four deserving families. This component reflects the holistic approach of extending support not only for education but also for socio-economic stability of vulnerable households.



Chapter-3

Gilgit-Baltistan Wing

3.1 Contributions in Governance of University of Baltistan – Skardu

The Senate is the supreme statutory body of the University responsible for academic, administrative, and financial oversight. As an ex-officio member of the Senate, the University's supreme statutory body, the Ministry played an active role in strengthening institutional oversight. Through participation in Senate proceedings, the Ministry contributed to transparent decision-making and the promotion of higher education in the region. During **FY 2024-2025**, the Ministry participated in the following Senate meetings:

MEETING	DATE	NO. OF MEETINGS
9 th Senate	7 th Aug, 2024	3
10 th Senate	30 Dec, 2024	
11 th Senate	28 th May, 2025	

3.2 Safeguarding Welfare; GB Benevolent & Group Insurance Fund

The Ministry played a pivotal role in facilitating the establishment of the Gilgit-Baltistan Benevolent Fund and Group Insurance setup. Key actions included:

- Ensuring compliance with statutory requirements and safeguarding employee welfare.
- Coordinating with stakeholders and convening consultative meetings post-establishment.
- Formulating proposals to address financial liabilities and transitional issues during the shift to the new framework.

3.3 Committee on Redressal of Grievances of Gilgit Airport Affectees

Following a Wafaqi Mohtasib order regarding land compensation for Gilgit Airport affectees, the Ministry has actively coordinated with the GB Government for compliance. Recent progress includes:

- **September 2024:** Constituted a formal “Committee on Redressal of Grievances” to reach an amicable resolution.
- **Meetings:** Two committee sessions were convened in September 2024 and January 2025 to fast-track the implementation of the order.

3.4 Coordination with Governor’s Secretariat, GB

This GB Sections coordinated multiple important cases concerning the Governor GB, including:

- a) The Cases of Ex-Pakistan Leave/NOC of Governor GB

- b) Governor Secretariat's request for provision of Heli-Copter.
- c) Governor Secretariat's request for provision of a residence in Federal Capital.
- d) Governor Secretariat's request for extension of pension and salary to Gilgit Baltistan.

3.5 Coordination with Home & Prison Department, GB

Significant collaborative actions were undertaken to ensure regional stability:

- Established a Ministry-level Control Room to coordinate with the GB Control Room during Muharram processions to maintain law and order.
- Facilitated the issuance of NOCs via the Ministry of Interior for the GB Police to purchase arms and ammunition from Pakistan Ordnance Factories (POF), Wah Cantt.

3.6 Coordination with FPSC in Appointments with regards to GB

During the year 2024–25, the GB-II Section continued to serve as the principal channel of coordination between the Government of Gilgit-Baltistan (GB) and the Federal Public Service Commission (FPSC). Major achievements included:

Efficient Recruitment Processing: On average, 97 recruitment cases were processed during the year. All requisitions were duly forwarded to the FPSC and followed up until completion, ensuring merit-based and timely recruitment.

Strengthening Representation in FPSC Panels: Senior officers (BPS-20 and above) from GB departments were regularly nominated to serve on FPSC interview boards across Pakistan, thereby safeguarding GB's representation in federal recruitment proceedings.

Ensuring Constitutional Compliance: The Section effectively facilitated the constitutional arrangement under which the FPSC functions as the interim public service commission for Gilgit-Baltistan, ensuring transparency and adherence to federal standards.

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Chapter-4

STATES AND FRONTIER REGIONS (SAFRON) Wing

4.1 FORMER ACCEDING/ MERGED STATES OF PAKISTAN

In 1947, the sovereign princely States of the Indian subcontinent were given the option to accede to either Pakistan or India, or to remain independent. The following States acceded to Pakistan by signing the Instrument of Accession:

i.	Bahawalpur	ii.	Khairpur
iii.	Amb	iv.	Chitral
v.	Dir	vi.	Swat
vii.	Kalat	viii.	Kharan
ix.	Lasbella	x.	Makran
xi.	Hunza	xii.	Nagar

The following States signed the Instrument of Accession with Pakistan but could not be merged due to illegal occupation by India:

i.	Junagadh
ii.	Manavadar

4.1.1 BAHAWALPUR STATE:

- Nawab Sir Sadiq Muhammad Khan Abbasi-V signed the Instrument of Accession with Pakistan in 1947. Later, under the Merger Agreement of 1954, he ceded the sovereign rights of the State of Bahawalpur to the Government of Pakistan.
- After his demise in 1966, the Federal Government constituted various commissions to facilitate the devolution and distribution of his private property among his 23 legal heirs. In 2001, the Supreme Court of Pakistan rejected the reports of earlier commissions/committees and directed the Ministry of SAFRON to proceed further in accordance with its judgment. Consequently, a Committee under the chairmanship of Justice (Retd.) Abdul Shakoor-ul-Salam was constituted in 2002. The Committee submitted its report to the Ministry of SAFRON, which was duly approved.
- Subsequently, an Implementation Committee was established under Justice (Retd.) Abdul Qadeer Chaudhry to enforce the Distribution and Devolution of Property (Ameer of Bahawalpur) Order, 1969. As per the Committee's recommendations, the Government issued S.R.O. 820(I)/2005 dated 03-08-2005, under which 4,455 acres of land, as per revenue records, were awarded to the 23 legal heirs. The Committee also recommended the distribution of the "Shikargah" land measuring 312,440 acres. In coordination with the Cholistan Development Authority, Bahawalpur, a mutation plan was prepared for 277,974 acres.
- The Ministry of SAFRON, exercising powers under Article 3 of the Acceding State (Property) Order, 1961 (Presidential Order No.12 of 1961), issued S.R.O. 436(I)/2006 dated 10th May, 2006, thereby devolving the aforementioned land to

the 23 legal heirs. The remaining 34,466 acres could not be distributed as they had already been allotted to various government schemes by the Government of Punjab. As per the Implementation Committee's recommendations, the Board of Revenue, Punjab, is responsible for compensating the heirs either through market-value compensation or alternate adjoining land as per their preference.

- The matter of possession of the Shikargah land remained sub judice before the Chief Land Commission, Punjab. The legal heirs challenged the Commission's actions before the Lahore High Court, Lahore, contending that the Commission lacked jurisdiction following the Supreme Court's decision in Civil Appeal No.130/78. The Lahore High Court, in its Order dated 17-10-2011, annulled the proceedings of Suo Moto Revision LR-11/1990. The Punjab Land Commission subsequently filed Civil Appeals No.883 to 886/2012 before the Supreme Court of Pakistan.
- In pursuance of the judgments of the Supreme Court and the Lahore High Court, the Implementation Committee for Devolution and Distribution of Private Property of the Late Ameer of Bahawalpur, chaired by Justice (Retd.) Faqir Muhammad Khokhar, was reconstituted through S.R.O. 688(I)/2023 dated 13-06-2023, with the approval of the Federal Government. The Committee held multiple meetings with stakeholders, including departments of the Provincial Government of Punjab, to prepare and verify the revenue record of the Shikargah land. The Committee's three-month tenure expired on 12.09.2023.
- As considerable work regarding the preparation of revenue records and mutations remained pending, the tenure of the Implementation Committee was extended twice — first for a period of six months vide S.R.O. 1417(I)/2023 dated 11th October 2023, and later for one year vide S.R.O. 1066(I)/2024 dated 19th July 2024. Meanwhile, the Implementation Committee had held several meetings in Lahore and Bahawalpur aimed at preparing the revenue records and processing mutations of the Shikargah land to facilitate its smooth transfer and handover to the rightful heirs. As a result of the Committee's tireless efforts, a complete revenue record was prepared and the mutations in the name of the Late Ameer of Bahawalpur and his legal heirs were successfully completed — a significant milestone, given that no such complete record previously existed with the land revenue authorities. Although a substantial portion of the task has been completed. However, due to sad demise of the Justice (Retd.) Faqir Muhammad Khokhar, the physical transfer and handing over of the Shikargah property to the legal heirs and their descendants is remaining. An active liaison with the Supreme Court of Pakistan has been established for the early nomination of the new Chairman. The remaining task of the committee would be accomplished as soon as possible after nomination of the new Chairman.

4.1.2 JUNAGADH STATE

His Highness Nawab Sir Mahabat Khan Rasul Khan, the ruler of Junagadh, signed the Instrument of Accession to Pakistan on 15th August 1947. Prior to the illegal occupation of Junagadh and the Kathiawar Talukas by Indian forces, the Nawab

migrated to Karachi. He passed away in 1959. The case of Junagadh's accession remains on the agenda of the United Nations..

DEVOLUTION AND DISTRIBUTION OF PROPERTY OF LATE NAWAB OF JUNAGADH

After the Nawab's demise, his eldest son, Nawab Dilawar Khan Mahabat Khan, was recognized by the Government of Pakistan as the rightful Nawab of Junagadh. A dispute arose among the legal heirs regarding inheritance of his properties and assets. To resolve the matter, the Ministry of States and Frontier Regions (SAFRON) appointed a One-Man Commission under Mr. G.A. Madani, then Commissioner of Karachi, under Article 3 of the Acceding State Order, 1961 (Presidential Order No.12 of 1961). The Government approved the Commission's recommendations and issued S.R.O. No.383(K)/63 titled The Devolution and Distribution of Property (Junagadh State) Order, 1963.

Following the demise of Nawab Dilawar Khanji on 30.07.1989, and in light of the unique nature of the Junagadh case, the Government of Pakistan, after due consultation with the Ministries of Foreign Affairs and Law & Justice, recognized his eldest son Nawab Jehangir Khanji as the Nawab of Junagadh through a notification dated 23.01.1990. During his lifetime, Nawab Jehangir Khanji nominated his eldest son, Nawabzada Ali Murtaza Khanji, as his successor via Huzur Order dated 13.06.2012. After Nawab Jehangir Khanji's demise on 20.07.2023, the process of recognizing the new Nawab of Junagadh is underway. This continuation is essential to maintain Junagadh's case on the international agenda and to ensure proper custodianship of Junagadh's assets and properties.

4.1.3 PRIVY PURSES/MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCE TO RULERS/DEPENDENTS OF STATES ACCEDED/MERGED WITH PAKISTAN

During the fiscal year 2022-23, maintenance allowances amounting to Rs. 42 million were disbursed to the rulers and dependents of the acceded and merged States of Pakistan, as follows:

MERGED STATES

S.No.	Beneficiary
1.	Ameer of Bahawalpur (Nawab Salahuddin Ahmed Abbasi)
2.	Mir of Khairpur (Mir Ali Murad Khan Talpur)
3.	Notables of Chitral
4.	Dependents of Late Nawab of Dir
5.	Dependents of Late Nawab of Makran
6.	Dependents of Late Khan of Kalat

ACCEDED STATES

S.No.	Beneficiary
1.	Nawab Muhammad Jehangir Khan, Nawab of Junagadh

2.	Nawabzada Dr. Fatehuddin Khan, Khan of Manavadar
3.	Mst. Mussarat Jehan Begum, Widow of late Nawab of Junagadh
4.	Princess Kishwar Sultana Alias Sultan Bakhte, Dependent of late Nawab of Junagadh
5.	Mst. Zainab Bibi widow of Jalaluddin Khan, Shareholder of Bantva Taluka.
6.	Sheikh Abdul Khaliq, Sheikh Sahib of Mangrol

4.2 AFGHAN REFUGEES

4.2.1 Introduction

Background

The subject of "Afghan Refugees" has been assigned to Ministry of Kashmir Affairs, Gilgit Baltistan, and SAFRON as per Rules of Business 1973 and is being dealt with by a separate 'Afghan Refugees Wing' of the Ministry in close coordination with the UNHCR, concerned Federal Ministries and Provincial Departments. For the purpose, an attached Department namely Chief Commissionerate for Afghan Refugees (CCAR) in Islamabad and offices of Provincial Commissionerates for Afghan Refugees (CARs) in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Baluchistan, Punjab and Sindh have also been set up for coordinated efforts to manage the temporary stay of Afghan Refugees in Pakistan and their repatriation on voluntary basis to their homeland.

Refugees' influx

As a consequence of the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan in 1979, factional fighting in the post 1992 era, drought in 1999-2000 and post 9/11, 2001, over 4.4 million recorded Afghans sought refuge in Pakistan during the period 1979 to 2001.

Current Refugees' Population Profile

At present there are approximately 2.9 million Afghan nationals living in Pakistan, with following three categories;

i.	Registered Population (POR cards holders)	1.32 million
ii.	Un-registered (Estimated)	0.3 million

Policies regarding Refugees

- Pakistan is not the signatory to 1951 Convention and its 1967 protocol relating to the status of Refugees but deals with Afghan refugees issue on Humanitarian basis with full commitment to respect the Principle of Non-Refoulment which states that no registered Afghan Refugees will be forcibly deported.

- Currently Afghan population is managed under National policy for Management and Repatriation of Afghans approved by the Federal Cabinet. However, for their repatriation Government of Pakistan, Afghanistan and UNHCR have signed a Tripartite Agreement at Brussels on 17-3-2003 which is renewed from time to time. The Tripartite agreement embodies the principles of gradualism and voluntariness in repatriation. UNHCR provide repatriation package to each individual on their return inside Afghanistan. Since, 2019, no meeting of the Tripartite Committee held and hence the agreement has not been renewed.
- Policies regarding Afghan Refugees have also been framed under International Agreements mainly the Solutions Strategy for Afghan Refugees (SSAR), a quadripartite initiative of Governments of Pakistan, Iran and Afghanistan in addition to the United Nations High Commissioner for Afghan Refugees (UNHCR) was endorsed by the international community in Geneva during International Stakeholders Conference held in May, 2012 and was extended from time to time. Three main pillars of the strategy are as under;
 - i. International support for voluntary repatriation
 - ii. Sustainable reintegration in Afghanistan
 - iii. Support for host communities
- To mobilize support for the Solutions Strategy for Afghan Refugees (SSAR), Support Platform was launched in 2019. Under this mechanism, a Core group of Support platform was constituted to approach traditional and nontraditional donors to secure maximum funding for Afghan refugees.

4.2.2 MAJOR DEVELOPMENTS 2024-25

- The Chief Commissionerate for Afghan Refugees as an attached department of Ministry KA, GB and SAFRON at the Federal level, along with Provincial Commissionerates, at the provincial levels dealing with UNHCR as a main counterpart for management and repatriation of Afghan Refugees living in Pakistan.
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- Government of Pakistan provide same education and health facilities to Afghan refugees and other segments of Afghans as extended to Pakistanis. They have free enrolment in Govt. primary schools and access to higher and professional education with generous scholarships. Plentiful livelihood opportunities are open to them with permission to open banks accounts.
- It is almost 47 years now that we have extended utmost hospitality and generosity

to them despite our own security and socio-economic challenges. Millions of Afghans are getting the best health and education facilities and plentiful livelihoods opportunities without discrimination.

- The voluntary repatriation will remain the major component of the policy however as a big challenge, grand jirgas and corner meetings with elders have been conducted by CCAR/CAR office to facilitate the returnees and spread awareness among them so they may take informed decisions.
- In order to enhance the voluntary repatriation of Afghan Refugees, operational capacity of the existing Voluntary Repatriation Centers (VRCs) located in Chamkani (KP) and Baleli (Quetta) has been enhanced with the support of NADRA and UNHCR. Now, the VRCs can facilitate more Afghan Refugees during their return to Afghanistan.
- In addition to enhancing the capacity of VRCs, few Proof of Card Modification (PCM) centers are converted into VRC to cater more refugees for facilitating during their return. In this regard, PCM at Nowshera has been operationalized in Phase-I and after that, PCM in Kohat and Haripur would be converted to VRC in phase-II. More VRCs would be established as per need in future.
- The CCAR office has actively participated in all meetings held under the subject Illegal Foreigners Repatriation Plan and also shared the data of POR/ACC efficiently with Government counter parts when required. Moreover, CCAR office has also deputed staff at the holding sites in Rawalpindi and Islamabad to assist both district administrations regarding profiling and scanning of POR card holders.
- The voluntary repatriation of Afghan refugees will remain as most preferred solution of the protracted Afghan refugee situation in Pakistan. It has been proposed on various forums that repatriation cash grant may be enhanced from USD 375 to USD 400 so that voluntary repatriation may be increased. Previously, UNHCR has enhanced the repatriation grant for registered POR card holders from 250 USD to 375 USD per returnee along with additional per family USD 700 w.e.f. 1st August, 2022. However now UNHCR has approved a one-time cash grant of USD 35 per head and additional USD 155 per household to assist returnees in meeting their immediate post return needs with transportation. The CCAR office is coordinating and making efforts to increase the return cash grant so that maximum population is returned.
- The CCAR office under SIRA project of the World Bank has initiated capacity building program for the staff of CCAR/CAR and Ministry. In this regard, training of three cohorts has been completed till date for training on Protection Framework being held in LUMS, Lahore.
- To facilitate the Afghan refugees for opening of Bank Accounts, the Prime Minister of Pakistan on Feb 25, 2019 has allowed registered Afghan Refugees residing in Pakistan to open bank accounts so that they can participate in the formal economy

of Pakistan. 20,473 bank accounts have been opened by Afghan Refugees with deposit of Rs. 3270.606 million rupees on the basis of PoR cards as till 31 March, 2025. Moreover, State Bank has also been advised not to block bank accounts of POR card holders.

- The representatives of CCAR/SAFRON have actively participate in the 75th Annual Session of the Executive Committee of the High Commissioners Program (Ex-Com) session held in Geneva in October 2024 for highlighting the protracted refugee's issue and fund raising for initiatives to be taken for management and repatriation of refugees as well as their re-integration in Afghanistan.
- CCAR office continued verifying the POR cards of refugees' children to get admission in educational institutes at federal level whereas the provincial CARs processed cases/application of Afghan Refugees students for admission against reserved seats in professional institutes for registered Afghans.
- Verification of Unregistered Members of Registered Families has been extended until 31 December, 2024 in all PCM centers. Till date about 48,499 UMRF have been validated against the total of 146,000 individuals.
- The CCAR office received cases from various courts/LEAs for verification the necessary information in respect of registered Afghan Refugees. The CCAR office after being verified from NADRA, sending the report to the courts so that the Afghan Refugees are facilitated efficiently. Moreover, a number of cases have been filed in various judicial courts and CCAR office is preparing Para wise comments along with coordinating the matter among focal persons and relevant quarters.
- Detail of Court Cases;

Office	No. of Court Cases	Decided	Pending
CCAR	186	88	98
CAR KP	17	0	17
CAR Balochistan	13	9	4
CAR Punjab	5	1	4
ARRC Sindh	0	0	0
Total	221	98	123

- The CCAR office attended various meetings of the National Assembly, Senate Standing Committees on issues raised by the honorable MNAs and senators related to Afghan refugees
- Communication Cells are established in CCAR and all the Provincial Commissionerates for smooth dissemination of authentic information regarding various initiatives, scholarships, grievances redressal mechanism and training opportunities. Also established new social media pages on Facebook, Twitter,

Instagram and LinkedIn.

- CCAR Office has established new Social Media pages for dissemination of authentic information among the refugees and host communities. Moreover, official website has been successfully deployed and official e-mails are activated.
- Universal Accesses Number for CCAR office is approved.

4.2.3 STRENGTHENING INSTITUTIONS FOR REFUGEES ADMINISTRATION PROJECT (SIRA)'S ACHIEVEMENT

- Achieved eight Disbursement Linked Results (DLRs), validated by Third Party Validation Firm.
- World Bank disbursed US\$ 11.7 million to Federal Consolidated Fund upon achievement and validation of six DLRs.
- Operation Support Unit (OSU) has been established under supervision of Project Director along with relevant Specialists.
- Procurement of various activities is in progress such as IT and security equipment, power equipment, office furniture, and office supplies.
- During the reporting quarter, the SIRA Project advanced a wide range of institutional strengthening and capacity-building activities. Progress was made in developing an integrated Complaint Handling Mechanism (CHM) and Management Information System (MIS). Initially designed as separate systems, both were merged into a unified platform to ensure operational efficiency and better resource utilization. Consolidated Terms of Reference (ToRs) were finalized in consultation with technical experts and stakeholders, and shared for review.
- At the provincial level, the MIS for Khyber Pakhtunkhwa was successfully developed and independently verified, marking the first provincial system to reach operational readiness.
- Additionally, the functional and organizational review of key refugee administration departments was completed by a consulting firm. This comprehensive study mapped professional staff to technical job categories and recommended reforms to enhance service delivery and institutional efficiency.
- All five protection units at federal and provincial levels were formally notified and are now fully operational.
- The legal and policy framework review progressed, with finalized ToRs. Advertisement will be floated soon to engage the consultant.
- Capacity-building efforts continued through the Refugee Learning Program. A

formal agreement was signed with LUMS. Three cohorts comprising around one hundred professionals have been imparted trainings on protection.

- Two socio-economic surveys were completed and published. Coordination with UNHCR for the third survey is ongoing, with the final report expected in August 2025. Discussions were also initiated for joint publication and launch.
- To improve outreach, Terms of Reference were finalized for conducting awareness sessions in major refugee-hosting districts. Parallel efforts are underway to secure access to the registered refugee database through NADRA and initiate a formal review of visa policy implementation.
- The Gender Action Plan was finalized and shared with the World Bank. Gender-sensitive elements have been fully integrated into the CHM scope and procurement processes. The Gender Specialist is actively involved in ensuring inclusivity during implementation.
- The Communication Section reactivated the CCAR website, improving public access to project information. A Universal Access Number was also approved to enhance grievance redressal. Two Technical Working Group meetings were held to review progress, address implementation challenges, and finalize the annual work and communication plans.
- The PC-1 is being revised where considerable amount has been proposed to be shifted to DLI component.

4.2.4 PERFORMANCE/ACHIEVEMENTS OF PROVINCES

- Performance/Achievements of CAR Punjab (2024-25)

CAR Punjab is primarily responsible for the management and settlement of Afghan Refugees during their stay in urban areas and Afghan Refugees (ARs) Camp Kot Chandna, Mianwali and ensures the provision of all basic facilities like Health, Community Development, Water Supply, Security & Protection and facilitates them for their voluntary repatriation with the financial support of UNHCR. The Education sector is being implemented by M/s Inspire Pakistan (NGO) at ARs Camp Kot Chandna w.e.f 01.01.2024.

CAR Punjab deals with the welfare of Afghan Refugees settled all over Punjab i.e. 283,279 individuals (PoR card holders 194,984 as on 31.12.2024 and ACC Card holders 88,295). There is an Afghan Refugees (ARs) Camp in Kot Chandna Mianwali directly under the control / supervision of CAR Punjab. ARs Camp was spread over 2071 Acres in 1982 and currently reduced to 390 Acres due to repatriation, free movement and settlement of refugees in urban areas across Pakistan. Accordingly, working / achievements of CAR Punjab is given below in the bullet form-

- Two (02) numbers of PCM Sites are operational at Lahore & Mianwali for facilitation of necessary amendments in PoR cards; however the PoR cards

has now been declared as unlawful w.e.f 01.08.2025.

- The Home Department Punjab has constituted Joint Implementation Committees at Divisional / District levels for repatriation of illegal immigrants / overstayed foreigners at all Districts of the Province. Further, the CAR Punjab has attended the meetings in Apex Committee, Home Department, CCR-HQ 4 Corps, Divisional Commissioners and Deputy Commissioners in Punjab. CAR Punjab ensures the protection to PoR & ACC holders from harassment and illegal detentions.
- The Protection Unit has been established in CAR Punjab under World Bank Project - SIRA to provide protection to PoR card holders and conduct outreach sessions in Punjab.
- CAR Punjab has been resolving complaints of Afghan refugees and host communities in coordination with Government of the Punjab, Home Department, Health Department, Education Department, District Administration, LEAs and Public & Private institutions in Punjab.
- Thirteen (13) Nos. Schools Projects of district Rawalpindi and 13 Nos. Schools Projects of district Attock were implemented by UNHCR during 2024 on recommendation of the CAR Punjab.
- CAR Punjab recommended 08-Afghan Refugees School projects to UNHCR for rehabilitation and Solarization of School Buildings at Afghan Refugee's Camp Kot Chandna District Mianwali, implemented by UNOPS / UNHCR in 2024.
- CAR Punjab conducts regular meetings with Afghan refugees elders to convey the Government of Pakistan policy and directives regarding Afghan management & repatriation and also ensures that no harassment during the current repatriation process.
- 05-Health projects rehabilitation in Rawalpindi i.e. BHU Salargah Taxila, BHU Bhudana Gujjar Khan, BHU Dhudiyal Jhandu, BHU Chakri and RHC Rawalpindi implemented by UN-IOM in 2024 on the recommendation of CAR Punjab.
- Urban Cohesion hub in Rawalpindi is being operated by Inspire Pakistan (NGO) under UNHCR in coordination with CAR Punjab.
- The Livelihood Program has been implemented by NAVTTC with financial support of UNHCR in coordination with CAR Punjab in Lahore & Mianwali.
- The Rehabilitation and Uplifting of local community at Faqeerabad / Lawrencepur in Attock implemented by UN-IOM in 2025 on the recommendation of CAR Punjab.

- The Solarization of tube Wells / Turbines of Water Supply System at Afghan Refugees Camp Kot Chandna Mianwali was implemented by UNHCR in 2025 on the recommendation of CAR Punjab.

- Performance/Achievements of CAR Sindh (2024-25)

- **Inauguration of Basic Health Unit in Baloch Goth:** 04/07/24 CAR Sindh, along with Dr. M. Ali (DHO) West, Mr. Syed jhangir Ali shah (ADC-I) West and UN-IoM officials inaugurated the Basic Health Unit in Baloch Goth, District West Karachi, under the Quick Impact Projects of UN-IoM.
- **Inauguration of Gul Muhammad Dispensary, Gul Muhammad Goth:** 04/07/24 CAR Sindh, along with Dr. M. Ali (DHO) West and UN-IOM officials inaugurated the Gul Muhammad Dispensary, Gul Muhammad goth District West Karachi, under the Quick Impact Projects of UN-IoM.
- **Inauguration of Kareem Bux dispensary:** 04/07/24 CAR Sindh, along with Dr. M. Ali (DHO) West, Dr Zafar Mehdi Secretary Sindh mental health authority, Mr. Saleem sheikh UN-OCHA, Mr. Imran laghari UN resident coordinator Sindh and UN-IoM officials inaugurated the Kareem bux dispensary, Gadap town, District West Karachi, under the Quick Impact Projects of UN-IoM.
- **Inaugurated the Mother and Child Health Centre in Sachal Goth:** 08/07/24 CAR Sindh official, Dr. Shams Uddin Jokhio, (Additional DHO East), and a UN-IOM officials inaugurated the Mother and Child Health Centre in Sachal Goth, District East Karachi. This commendable UN-IOM initiative under the Quick Impact Projects includes noteworthy rehabilitation work and solarization, significantly enhancing healthcare services.
- **Mobile medical team:** 07/11/24 CAR Sindh supported to arranged mobile medical team from IoM Pakistan for Afghan Refugees in Karachi's East and West districts.
- **CAR Sindh support to organized one day service camp:** 13/11/24 CAR_Sindh supported to organize a service camp by # Inspire_CBP team at Delux Town. Different kind of facilities provided by different organizations to AR's.
- **Solarization of RO Plant & Syed Jamal Uddin :** 12/12/24 Solarization of RO Plant & Syed Jamal Uddin Afghani School at Al-Asif and renovation of Maymer Complex Park with #iompakistan at Maymer Complex UC #04.
- **Visit Secretary Education:** 31/12/24 CAR_Sindh visited the Honorable Mr. Muhammad Abbas, Secretary of the Universities and Boards Department, to discuss issues related to the enrollment of Afghan Refugee students. As a result of this meeting, a focal person was designated from his office to coordinate with CAR Sindh and facilitate the resolution of enrollment-related issues across

various educational boards.

- **CAR Sindh organized the inauguration ceremony of the Help Desk installed for the first time in the history of CAR at Afghan Basti:** 23/01/25 Recognizing the hardship Afghan refugees faced in traveling approximately 45 km to access services, CAR Sindh established a dedicated Help Desk within their locality. The Help Desk now facilitates timely access to essential services related to education, health, and livelihoods, significantly reducing barriers and improving service delivery for vulnerable families.
- **Partnership with Shahid Afridi Foundation – Food Security & Education Support :** 19/02/25 In collaboration with the Shahid Afridi Foundation, CAR Sindh facilitated daily meal support (roti/nan) for approximately 500 Afghan refugee families. The Foundation is also actively working on establishing a school in the area to support educational needs, demonstrating a comprehensive approach to community welfare.
- **CAR sindh Distributed Ramadan aid packages to Afghan refugees in Mominabad in collaboration with Caritas Pakistan & Rotary Club:** 10/03/25 Distributed Ramadan aid packages to Afghan refugees in Mominabad, offering essential support during the holy month and reaffirming commitment to community welfare.
- **CAR Sindh converted an underutilized madrasa into a functional girls' school in Afghan Basti named Quaid-e-Azam Girls School :** 17/03/25 To address the critical gap in girls' education and the absence of dedicated educational facilities, CAR Sindh converted an underutilized madrasa into a functional girls' school in Afghan Basti. This initiative has provided a safe and accessible learning environment, empowering young Afghan girls through education.
- **Advocacy with UN-Habitat – Infrastructure Development UN-Habitat, in collaboration with CAR-Sindh, successfully conducted a two-day workshop :** 26/03/25 CAR Sindh actively advocated with UN-Habitat to prioritize the longstanding sewerage issues in Afghan Basti. As a result of continued engagement, infrastructure concerns are now being addressed under community-based urban development plans, aimed at improving living conditions in the settlement. Conducted participatory mapping workshop with UN-Habitat in Afghan Basti and Jangabad to discuss community priorities.
- **Police Station Visit for Refugee Support :** 11/04/25 CAR Sindh staff visited various police stations in District East and District West to address issues concerning Afghan refugees and to strengthen coordination with local law enforcement. Through persistent field engagement and legal coordination, CAR Sindh successfully intervened in several cases, preventing unjustified detentions and securing the release of affected Afghan individuals, particularly those from mixed-status families.

- **CAR Sindh inaugurated a newly developed Vocational sewing skill development training center:** 14/05/25 The Honourable Commissioner for Afghan Refugees inaugurated the Vocational Sewing Skill Development Centre, where 30 Afghan girls are currently receiving training, and later visited Afghan Basti to assess the situation and engage with the community.

- Performance/Achievements of CAR Balochistan (2024-25)

- CAR Balochistan with support from PPHI, conducted various health initiatives.
- The Commissionerate for Afghan Refugees (CAR) in Balochistan, in collaboration with implementing partners, held youth engagement activities for Afghan refugees and host communities.
- CAR Balochistan supported the smooth implementation of an Urban Planning project in the province, which was introduced by UN-Habitat.
- UNHCR's Country Representative, Ms. Phillippa Candler, inaugurated a solarization project at Bolan Medical Complex in Quetta, which aims to improve the hospital's operational efficiency.
- The Honorable Federal Minister for SAFRON, Mr. Amir Muqam, visited Quetta, where he addressed media, visited Afghan refugees in Saranan, met with mine laborers and political delegations, and attended a lunch hosted by CAR Balochistan.
- A Consultative Workshop on "Progress Review and Consultative Session on Projects for the Welfare of Afghan Refugees Living in Balochistan" was arranged by CAR Balochistan held in Serena Hotel Quetta with the support of GIZ, bringing together UNHCR, IOM, and a diverse group of I/NGOs working in Balochistan. Aim of this activity was progress sharing and enhancing coordination among the stakeholders to create synergy and avoid gaps.
- CAR Balochistan facilitated the admission of Afghan refugee students into top medical universities in Pakistan.
- The CAR office continues to improve its district and provincial-level coordination with local NGOs and implementing partners to devise pragmatic solutions for coordination issues.
- The office coordinated with national-level representatives from major donor agencies like UNHCR, GIZ, and UNFPA, and met with political figures to discuss the political situation in Balochistan. CAR Balochistan facilitated the International Organization for Migration (IOM) by identifying beneficiaries and monitoring ongoing activities for its Individual Livelihood Assistance (ILA) and Multi-Purpose Cash Assistance (MPCA) programs.
- Frequent coordination meetings were held with community members,

implementing partners, UNHCR, and government departments to improve project execution and secure support from the Government of Balochistan.

- Performance/Achievements of CAR KP (2024-25)

a. Health

- In 16 Health Facilities maintained and remained functional where services provided to 63678 ARs.
- Four Birth centers maintained and supervised where three Birth Centers, fully functional offering 24/7 services where 1593 ARs and locals were facilitated.
- A Total of 6971 Deliveries conducted by trained staff.
- Emergency Preparedness and Response Training carried out at all districts with the courtesy of Rescue 1122.
- Health Committee and shura members received training in the current month on social mobilization.
- Four (4) sessions per month per Health Facility were imparted.
- The community center established by GIZ at Kohat is successfully operational.
- Breast Feeding Month was celebrated at all HFs with the support of UNICEF.
- The Health Facility and Manages received on job training on Health and Nutrition with the support of UNICEF.
- To improve the nutritional status of the mothers and children, NAs and Community Outreach (Male and Female) are on job in all the RVs with the support of UNICEF and performing their duties.

b. Education and Youth Development Cell (EYDC)

- Completed the registration process of Education Management Information System (EMIS). 35464 PoCs have been registered through EMIS.
- 1007 PoCs have been admitted to National Education system at primary, secondary and university level in various institutions of Pakistan.
- Meetings and advocacy sessions were regularly conducted with the relevant authorities and government departments to ensure and promote admissions of POSs to National Education System and also encourage extra-curricular activities for Afghan Refugee students and youth.
- In continued dedication to fostering youth development, the Education and Youth Development Cell (EYDC) organized a youth dialogue and excursion at

the Takht-Bhai World Heritage Site in District Mardan.

- On August 14, 2024, EYDC in collaboration with the Mardan Gymnastics Club, organized an athletic event that celebrated physical fitness and community spirit.
- Organized Archery Championship in collaboration with Helvetas Pakistan at the Kohat Sports Complex. Male and female archers representing both Afghan refugees and the host community participated in the event.
- One (01) Futsal sports event was organized by the EYDC team in district Mardan on 19th September 2024 in which a total of 06 teams participated including 04 male and 02 female whereas a total of 80 participants took part in the event.
- On November 20, 2024, EYDC in collaboration with the Art & Design Department, University of Peshawar and HELVETAS Pakistan, organized the Calligraphy and Photography Competition and Exhibition at PUTA Hall, Peshawar. This vibrant event showcased the talent of young artists who used the universal language of art to convey powerful messages of peace, unity and cultural understanding.
- EYDC marked a significant milestone by organizing the first-ever sporting event in District Chitral. The highlight of the event was a Futsal knockout competition featuring teams from RV Kesu, RV Kalkattak, RV Drosh and Chitral City.
- EYDC organized an engaging Sports Gala at Refugee Village (RV) Kababian (Peshawar) and RV Jalala, Mardan. The event showcased a range of exciting games that energized the students and brought out their enthusiasm.
- The Afghan cricket league season 5 2024 took place at Islamia college Peshawar. Total 12 teams and 144 players took part in the tournament in which the Bannu team won the final match. The closing ceremony of the tournament was held on 27th December in the same ground of Islamia College.
- The International Day of Persons with Special Needs was celebrated in collaboration with the SABAWON NGO on 3rd December in Islamia college ground.
- Additionally, a summer bazaar was held at GTVC Haripur for Afghan refugee students. After receiving vocational training, these students successfully created their own brand, "AFGHANIA".
- Female Taekwondo competition organized in collaboration with GIZ at Hayatabad Sports Complex, showcasing the athletic talents of Afghan female Taekwondo players.

c. Solution Strategy Unit (SSU)

- 22,900 Refugees facilitated for voluntary repatriation.
- 80 comprehensive information sessions conducted in 43 Refugees' villages and urban areas.
- 79 patrolling visits were carried out.
- 103 coordination meetings were held.
- Coordination with border management authorities carried out.
- Conducted a workshop on protection for border management staff.

d. Community Development Unit (CDU)

- 1,369 outreach volunteers were provided with trainings on Community Base Protection.
- CDU facilitated UNHCR/SHARP in distribution of Tablets amongst the Outreach Volunteers in various districts.
- Routine discussions/sessions carried out for Community Base Protection Principles, identification, community participation, mapping, coordination, code of conduct, role and responsibility of children / women rights carried out.
- 43 females and 43 males social welfare committee formed (One in each camp).
- 24 trainings and 02 non-formal one-day training session was carried out on MHPSS, Child/women rights, education, livelihood and child protection, GBV, health & hygiene.
- 1107 community awareness and sensitization sessions have been carried out to create awareness in the community regarding health and hygiene including seasonal diseases, sexual and gender-based violence, importance of education and other social issues. 13045 participants took part in the sessions.
- 100 beneficiaries were provided computer skills.
- Coordination meetings held at HQ, district and field level.
- World Refugee Day was celebrated at Sports Complex, Peshawar. The day was also celebrated at Baghbana RV, Peshawar.
- International Women day was celebrated in RVs.

4.2.5 CURRENT PROJECTS

UNHCR - List of On-Going Projects in Pakistan

	Project Name:	Education
	Duration (Start& End	1st January – 31st December2024

01	Date):	
	Implementing Authority/Agency/Agencies:	UNHCR / GOVERNMENT UNHCR, BUITEMS University, Commissionerate for Afghan Refugees (CAR) Baluchistan, Commissionerate for Afghan Refugees (CAR) Khyber Pakhtunkhwa. UNHCR / NGOS UNHCR, Initiative for Development and Empowerment Axis (IDEA), Inspire-Pakistan, Khwendo Kor (KK), Society for Community Support to Primary Education (SCPEB)
	Location of Project:	ICT, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Baluchistan, Punjab and Sindh
02	Project Name:	Health
	Duration (Start& End Date):	1 st January – 31 st December2024
	Implementing Authority/Agency/Agencies:	UNHCR / GOVERNMENT UNHCR, Chief Commissionerate for Afghan Refugees (CCAR) Islamabad, Commissionerate for Afghan Refugees (CAR) Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Frontier Primary Health Care (FPHC), People's Primary Healthcare Initiative (PPHI). UNHCR / NGOS UNHCR, International Medical Corps (IMC), Inspire- Pakistan, Taraqee Foundation (TF).
	Location of Project:	ICT, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Baluchistan, Punjab and Sindh
03	Project Name:	Livelihoods
	Duration (Start& End Date):	1 st January – 31 st December2024
	Implementing Authority/Agency/Agencies:	UNHCR / GOVERNMENT UNHCR, BUITEMS University, National Vocational and Technical Training Commission (NAVTTTC). UNHCR / NGOS UNHCR, International Labour Organization (ILO), Inspire- Pakistan, Hashoo Foundation (HF), Innovative Development Organization (IDO), Pak-Mission Society, Pakistan Poverty Alleviation Fund (PPAF), Sarhad Rural Support Programme (SRSP), Secours Islamique France (SIF) Society for Humanitarian Rights & Prisoners (SHARP), Taraqee Foundation

		(TF).
	Location of Project:	ICT, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Baluchistan, Punjab and Sindh
04	Project Name:	Well-Being and Housing
	Duration (Start & End Date):	1 st January – 31 st December 2024
	Implementing Authority/Agency/Agencies:	UNHCR / GOVERNMENT UNHCR, Chief Commissionerate for Afghan Refugees (CCAR) Islamabad, Commissionerate for Afghan Refugees (CAR) Khyber Pakhtunkhwa. UNHCR / NGOs UNHCR, Inspire-Pakistan, Integrated Regional Support Programme (IRSP), Muslim Hands, Tameer-e-Khalq Foundation (TKF).
	Location of Project:	ICT, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Baluchistan, Punjab and Sindh
05	Project Name:	Protection
	Duration (Start & End Date):	1 st January – 31 st December 2024
	Implementing Authority/Agency/Agencies:	UNHCR / GOVERNMENT UNHCR, BUIITEMS University, Chief Commissionerate for Afghan Refugees (CCAR) Islamabad, Commissionerate for Afghan Refugees (CAR) Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Commissionerate
		For Afghan Refugees (CAR) Baluchistan. UNHCR / NGOs UNHCR, Imkaan Welfare Organization (IWO), Society for Humanitarian Rights & Prisoners (SHARP), Drugs and Narcotics Educational Services For Humanity (DANESH), Pathfinder International, Society for Empowering Human Resources (SEHER), Tameer-e-Khalq Foundation (TKF), Water, Environment & Sanitation Society (WESS), Inspire-Pakistan, Special Talent Exchange Program (STEP), The Citizens Archive of Pakistan (CAP).
	Location of Project:	ICT, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Baluchistan, Punjab and Sindh
	Project Name:	Status and Documentation

06	Duration (Start & End Date):	1 st January – 31 st December 2024
	Implementing Authority/Agency/Agencies:	UNHCR / GOVERNMENT UNHCR, National Database and Registration Authority (NADRA). UNHCR / NGOs UNHCR, Society for Empowering Human Resources (SEHER), Society for Humanitarian Rights & Prisoners (SHARP).
	Location of Project:	ICT, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Baluchistan, Punjab and Sindh
07	Project Name:	Resettlement
	Duration (Start & End Date):	1 st January – 31 st December 2024
	Implementing Authority/Agency/Agencies:	UNHCR / GOVERNMENT UNHCR, National Database and Registration Authority (NADRA), Chief Commissionerate for Afghan Refugees (CCAR) Islamabad, Commissionerate for Afghan Refugees (CAR) Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Commissionerate for Afghan Refugees (CAR) Balochistan. UNHCR / NGOs UNHCR.
	Location of Project:	ICT, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Baluchistan, Punjab and Sindh

UNFPA- List of On-Going Projects in Pakistan

1.	UNFPA has strengthened 80 public sector health facilities with availability of reproductive health services, established 9 telemedicine services and established 61 Women and girl's friendly spaces in provinces of KP and Baluchistan.
2.	Total 13,933 deliveries are assisted through the health facilities services; 92,620 women and girls have benefitted from GBV services through women and girl's friendly spaces while 185, 408 women, girls, men and boys have received information on GBV and SRH services in catchment population.

IOM- List of On-Going Projects in Pakistan

01	Project Name:	Provision of Critical Support to Afghan Refugees and Migrants in Pakistan
	Duration (Start & End Date):	01/01/2022 to 31/03/2025
	Beneficiaries/ target groups:	ACC holders, Afghans of other statuses, vulnerable host community members
	Location of Project:	Displacement Tracking Matrix (DTM): Chitral

		Upper, Chitral Lower, Dir Upper, Swat, Lower Dir, Malakand, Mansehra, Buner, Mardan, Charsadda, Khyber, Peshawar, Nowshera, Swabi, Haripur, Abbottabad, Kohat, Hangu, Attock, Islamabad, Rawalpindi, Chakwal, Jhelum, Gujrat, Sialkot, Sargodha, Mandi Bahauddin, Gujranwala, Khushab, Mianwali, Lahore, Faisalabad, Bannu, Lakki Marwat, D.I. Khan, Zhob, Killa Saifullah, Killa Abdullah, Chaman, Pishin, Loralai, Duki, Quetta, Mastung, Chagai, Khuzdar, Washuk, Turbat, Gwadar, Naushki, Panjgur, Karachi South, Karachi Central, Karachi East, Karachi Keamari, Karachi Korangi, Karachi Malir, Karachi West, and Torkham (Khyber - KP), Chaman (Chaman), Badini (Killa Saifullah) and Bahramcha (Chagai) Community Resilience, Livelihoods and Recovery (CRLR): Karachi, Rawalpindi, Quetta, Pishin, Peshawar, Charsadda, Nowshera Protection: Quetta, Pishin, Loralai, Killa Saifullah, Chaghi, Islamabad, Rawalpindi HEALTH: Charsadda, Peshawar, Quetta, Pishin, Karachi East, Karachi West, Islamabad, Loralai, Attock
02	Project Name:	Improving Migration Governance and Access to Services for Displaced Afghans in Pakistan and Central Asia
	Duration (Start & End Date):	01/04/2023 to 31/3/2026 Yearly grant for 3 years. Ends March of each year
	Beneficiaries/ target groups:	ACC holders, Afghans of other statuses, vulnerable host community members
	Location of Project:	DTM: Chitral Upper, Chitral Lower, Dir Upper, Swat, Lower Dir, Malakand, Mansehra, Buner, Mardan, Charsadda, Khyber, Peshawar, Nowshera, Swabi, Haripur, Abbottabad, Kohat, Hangu, Attock, Islamabad, Rawalpindi, Chakwal, Jhelum, Gujrat, Sialkot,
		Sargodha, Mandi Bahauddin, Gujranwala, Khushab, Mianwali, Lahore, Faisalabad, Bannu, Lakki Marwat, D.I. Khan, Zhob, Killa Saifullah, Killa Abdullah, Chaman, Pishin, Loralai, Duki, Quetta, Mastung, Chagai, Khuzdar, Washuk, Turbat, Gwadar, Naushki, Panjgur, Karachi South, Karachi Central, Karachi East, Karachi Keamari, Karachi Korangi, Karachi Malir, Karachi West, and Torkham (Khyber - KP), Chaman (Chaman), Badini (Killa

03		Saifullah) and Bahramcha (Chagai) CRLR: Karachi, Rawalpindi, Quetta, Pishin, Peshawar, Charsadda, Nowshera HEALTH: Charsadda, Peshawar, Nowshera, Mardan, Quetta, Pishin, Killa Abdullah, Karachi East, Karachi West, Islamabad, Loralai PROTECTION: Karachi
	Project Name:	Support of IOM Activities in Pakistan Outlined in the 2024 Refugee Response Plan (RRP) for the Afghanistan Situation
	Duration (Start & End Date):	01/01/2024 to 30/06/2025
	Beneficiaries/ target groups:	ACC holders, Afghans of other statuses, vulnerable host community members
	Location of Project:	DTM: Karachi Central, Karachi East, Karachi Keamari, Karachi Korangi, Karachi Malir, Karachi South, Karachi West, Chagai, Chaman, Killa Abdullah, Pishin, Killa Saifullah, Loralai, Duki, Hangu, Khyber, Peshawar, Kohat, Nowshera, Charsadda, Mardan, Swabi, Mansehra, D.I Khan, Lakki Marwat, Bannu, Swat, Upper Dir, Chitral, Malakand, Buner, Abbottabad, Lower Dir, Islamabad, Attock, Mianwali, Chakwal, Rawalpindi, Gujrat, Sialkot, Lahore, and Torkham (Khyber - KP), Chaman (Chaman), Badini (Killa Saifullah) and Bahramcha (Chagai) CRLR: Karachi, Rawalpindi, Quetta, Pishin, Peshawar, Charsadda, Nowshera HEALTH: Charsadda, Peshawar, Nowshera, Mardan, Quetta, Pishin, Killa Abdullah, Karachi East, Karachi West, Islamabad, Loralai, Attock PROTECTION: Peshawar, Nowshera, Charsadda, Swabi, Timergarah, Batkhaila, Manshera, Mardan, Karachi Central, Karachi East, Karachi South, Karachi West, Korangi, Malir, Keamari and Jacobabad SHELTER & NON-FOOD ITEMS and WASH: Nowshera
04	Project Name:	Strengthening Resilience of Afghan Nationals and Host Communities in Pakistan through Multi-sectoral Interventions
	Duration (Start & End Date):	20/11/2023 to 19/05/2027
	Beneficiaries/ target groups:	ACC holders, Afghans of other statuses, vulnerable host community members
	Location of Project:	DTM: Chitral Upper, Chitral Lower, Dir Upper, Swat, Lower Dir, Malakand, Mansehra, Buner, Mardan, Charsadda, Khyber, Peshawar, Nowshera, Swabi, Haripur, Abbottabad, Kohat,

05		Hangu, Attock, Islamabad, Rawalpindi, Chakwal, Jhelum, Gujrat, Sialkot, Sargodha, Mandi Bahauddin, Gujranwala, Khushab, Mianwali, Lahore, Faisalabad, Bannu, Lakki Marwat, D.I. Khan, Zhob, Killa Saifullah, Killa Abdullah, Chaman, Pishin, Loralai, Duki, Quetta, Mastung, Chagai, Khuzdar, Washuk, Turbat, Gwadar, Naushki, Panjgur, Karachi South, Karachi Central, Karachi East, Karachi Keamari, Karachi Korangi, Karachi Malir, Karachi West, and Torkham (Khyber - KP), Chaman (Chaman), Badini (Killa Saifullah) and Bahramcha (Chagai) CRLR: Karachi, Rawalpindi, Quetta, Pishin, Peshawar, Charsadda, Nowshera PROTECTION: Peshawar, Charsadda, DI Khan, Haripur, Swabi, Nowshera, Quetta, Pishin, Loralai, Chagai SHELTER & NON-FOOD ITEMS and WASH: Quetta, Pishin, Kohat
	Project Name:	Support to Displaced Afghans in Pakistan, Iran, Central Asia, and Afghanistan
	Duration (Start & End Date):	01/01/2022 to 31/03/2025
	Beneficiaries/ target groups:	ACC holders, Afghans of other statuses, vulnerable host community members
06	Location of Project:	DTM: Chitral Upper, Chitral Lower, Dir Upper, Swat, Lower Dir, Malakand, Mansehra, Buner, Mardan, Charsadda, Khyber, Peshawar, Nowshera, Swabi, Haripur, Abbottabad, Kohat, Hangu, Attock, Islamabad, Rawalpindi, Chakwal, Jhelum, Gujrat, Sialkot, Sargodha, Mandi Bahauddin, Gujranwala, Khushab, Mianwali, Lahore, Faisalabad, Bannu, Lakki Marwat, D.I. Khan, Zhob, Killa Saifullah, Killa Abdullah, Chaman, Pishin, Loralai, Duki, Quetta, Mastung, Chagai, Khuzdar, Washuk, Turbat, Gwadar, Naushki, Panjgur, Karachi South, Karachi Central, Karachi East, Karachi Keamari, Karachi Korangi, Karachi Malir, Karachi West CRLR: Karachi, Rawalpindi, Quetta, Pishin, Peshawar, Charsadda, Nowshera PROTECTION: Peshawar, Charsadda, DI Khan, Haripur, Nowshera, Batkhaila, Swabi, Timergara
	Project Name:	Regional Evidence for Migration Analysis and Policy (REMAP) part 2 Project
	Duration (Start & End Date):	01/02/2023 to 31/01/2026
	Beneficiaries/ target groups:	Humanitarian organizations using DTM products, government counterparts, other relevant

		stakeholders
	Location of Project:	DTM: Chitral Upper, Chitral Lower, Dir Upper, Swat, Lower Dir, Malakand, Mansehra, Buner, Mardan, Charsadda, Khyber, Peshawar, Nowshera, Swabi, Haripur, Abbottabad, Kohat, Hangu, Attock, Islamabad, Rawalpindi, Chakwal, Jhelum, Gujrat, Sialkot, Sargodha, Mandi Bahauddin, Gujranwala, Khushab, Mianwali, Lahore, Faisalabad, Bannu, Lakki Marwat, D.I. Khan, Zhob, Killa Saifullah, Killa Abdullah, Chaman, Pishin, Loralai, Duki, Quetta, Mastung, Chagai, Khuzdar, Washuk, Turbat, Gwadar, Naushki, Panjgur, Karachi South, Karachi Central, Karachi East, Karachi Keamari, Karachi Korangi, Karachi Malir, Karachi West, and Torkham (Khyber - KP), Chaman (Chaman), Badini (Killa Saifullah) and Bahramcha (Chagai)
07	Project Name:	Provision of protection assistance to vulnerable Afghan populations in Pakistan
	Duration (Start & End Date):	01/05/2024 to 31/12/2025
	Beneficiaries/ target groups:	ACC holders, Afghans of other statuses, vulnerable host community members
	Location of Project:	DTM: Torkham (Khyber - KP), Chaman (Chaman), Badini (Killa Saifullah) and Bahramcha (Chagai) CRLR: Karachi, Islamabad, Rawalpindi, Attock, Quetta, Pishin, Loralai, Killa Saifullah, Peshawar, Charsadda, Nowshera, Mansehra, Mardan PROTECTION: Islamabad, Rawalpindi, Quetta, Loralai, Pishin, Killa Saifullah, Killa Abdullah, Chaman, Chagai, Zhob, Harnai, Duki SHELTER & NON-FOOD ITEMS and WASH: Balochistan, Sindh (Monsoon-affected districts)

GIZ- List of On-Going Projects in Pakistan

01	Project Name:	Building Bridges: Fostering Social Cohesion between Afghan Refugees and Host Communities (BBSC)
	Commissioned By:	Embassy of the Kingdom of the Netherlands in Pakistan
	Duration (Start & End Date):	December 1, 2023 – November 30, 2025
	Political partners:	Ministry of States and Frontier Regions (SAFRON), Chief Commissionerate for Afghan Refugees (CCAR), Commissionerate for Afghan

02		Refugees (CAR) in Baluchistan, Sindh and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa
	Beneficiaries/ target groups:	Afghan Refugees and Host Communities
	Implementing Agency:	Deutsche Gesellschaft for International Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH
	Location of Project:	Pakistan: Urban areas of Baluchistan (Quetta, and Chaman), Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (Peshawar), and Sindh (Karachi)
	Project Name:	Social Support for vulnerable Afghan Refugees and Host Communities (SSARC)
	Commissioned By:	German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ)
	Duration (Start & End Date):	2019 to 2025
	Political partners:	Ministry of States and Frontier Regions (SAFRON), Chief Commissionerate for Afghan Refugees (CCAR), Commissionerate for Afghan Refugees (CAR) in Baluchistan, Sindh and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa
	Beneficiaries/ target groups:	Afghan Refugees and Host Communities
03	Implementing Agency:	Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH
	Location of Project:	Pakistan: Khyber Pakhtunkhwa
	Project Name:	Strengthening Education and Health Services for Refugees and Host Communities (EHS) in Pakistan
	Commissioned By:	German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ)
	Duration (Start & End Date):	2020 to 2027
	Political partners:	Pakistan, Ministry of States and Frontier Regions (SAFRON)
	Beneficiaries/ target groups:	Afghan Refugees and Host Communities
	Implementing Agency:	Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH
	Location of Project:	Pakistan: Khyber Pakhtunkhwa

JICA- List of On-Going Projects in Pakistan

01	Pilot Project Name:	Employment promotion of skilled women and strengthening training capacity of beauticians
	Duration (Start& End Date):	Completed
	Beneficiaries/ target groups	10 women interns (5 Afghans and 5 Pakistanis), 5 managers and 5 skilled staffs of 5 beauty salons which host interns
	Location of Project:	Islamabad
02	Pilot Project Name:	Enhancing market incorporation of semi-skilled women in sewing and embroidery industry
	Duration (Start& End Date):	Completed
	Beneficiaries/ target groups	20 self-employed Afghan women and 1 to 3 business supporters for the self-employed women
	Location of Project:	Haripur
03	Pilot Project Name:	Updating stitching skills to grow business and enhance employment capacity of men tailors
	Duration (Start& End Date):	Completed
	Beneficiaries/ target groups	4 self-employed men (2 Afghans and 2 Pakistanis)
	Location of Project:	Peshawar
04	Pilot Project Name:	Establishing women community space for business, training and social gathering
	Duration (Start& End Date):	Completed
	Beneficiaries/ target groups	10 self-employed women running home-based business
	Location of Project:	Kohat
05	Pilot Project Name:	Enhancing women's business through digital skill training
	Duration (Start& End Date):	Completed
	Beneficiaries/ target groups	10 employed or self-employed women (5 Afghans and 5 Pakistanis)
	Location of Project:	Islamabad

Photos Gallery



The Federal Minister for KA, GB and SAFRON, Engr. Amir Muqam, chaired a meeting with International - Non-Governmental Organizations (INGOs) working for the welfare of Afghan refugee in Pakistan



Islamabad 11 June 2025: Federal Minister for Kashmir Affairs, Gilgit Baltistan & SAFRON, Engr. Amir Muqam chaired a high level Inter Ministerial meeting regarding management and repatriation of Afghan Refugees holding Proof of Registration (PoR) cards



June 6, 2025: Federal Minister Engr. Amir Muqam inaugurated 150 KW solarization project at District Headquarters (DHQ) Hospital Alpuri, Shangla



The Federal Minister and Secretary KA, GB & SAFRON Engineer Amir Muqam and Mr. Zafar Hasan had a high- level meeting with delegation from the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan led by Sardar Ahmed Khan Shakib, Charged Affairs in Islamabad.



Secretary KA, GB & SAFRON, Mr. Zafar Hasan discussions with UNHCR Advisor Dr. Imran Zeb Khan



Secretary KA, GB & SAFRON chairing the Inter-Ministerial Steering Committee for SIRA Project and attended by representatives from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Ministry of Interior, Ministry of Finance, and Ministry of Economic Affairs



Geneva: UN High Commissioner for Refugees, Mr. Filippo Grandi with his team met with the Pakistani delegation led by Secretary SAFRON, Mr. Zafar Hassan. The meeting focused on key issues related to Afghan refugees including their protection, voluntary repatriation and sustainable solution strategies



The Head of Migration and Displacement from the Government of the Netherlands held a productive meeting with a delegation from Pakistan comprising of Secretary SAFRON, Mr. Zafar Hasan accompanied by Joint Secretary SAFRON Mr. Agha Waseem Ahmad, Chief Commissioner for Afghan Refugees Mr. Muhammad Abbas Khan and Commissioner for Afghan Refugees, KP Mr. Shakeel Muhammad Khan Safi to discuss strategic solutions for Afghan refugees



Berlin 23 July, 2024: The Secretary SAFRON, Mr. Zafar Hassan and the Chief Commissioner for Afghan Refugees, Mr. Muhammad Abbas Khan represented Pakistan at the UNHCR's Berlin Roundtable on Sustainable Programming for Refugees hosted by the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development



Geneva 15 October 2024: 75th Session of the UNHCR Executive Committee (ExCom) held in Geneva was attended by Pakistan's delegation led by the Secretary SAFRON, Mr. Zafar Hasan, along with ex-Chief Commissioner for Afghan Refugees Mr. Muhammad Abbas Khan, Joint Secretary SAFRON Mr. Agha Waseem Ahmad and Commissioner Afghan Refugees, KP Mr. Shakeel Muhammad Khan Safi



Chief Commissioner Afghan Refugees Mr. Asmatullah Shah briefed the participants of 2nd SMC TMR Wing SGACD Government of Sindh on Management & Repatriation of Afghan Refugees during their visit to the Ministry of SAFRON Islamabad



The Chief Commissioner for Afghan Refugees, Mr. Asmatullah Shah, was visited by a delegation of refugee elders from Islamabad and Punjab, sharing insights into the challenges faced by the refugee communities, and discussed potential solutions to improve their welfare



Federal Minister for SAFRON and Kashmir Affairs & Gilgit Baltistan Engineer Amir Muqam alongwith Chief Commissioner Afghan Refugees Mr. Asmatullah Shah inaugurated Solar System at Tehsil Headquarters Hospital, Chota Lahore, Swabi



The Chief Commissioner for Afghan Refugees (CCAR) in Islamabad, Mr. Asmatullah Shah was called on by the Chairman SHARP Mr. Liaqat Banori and CEO Mr. Mudassar Javed to discuss the issues related to Afghan refugees in Pakistan



The Chief Commissioner Afghan Refugees, Mr. Asmatullah Shah alongwith Mr. Fakhar Alam, Chief Coordinator (Operations) and Mr. Taymoor Nawaz, Director Communications, held a productive meeting with the International Organization for Migration (IOM) Pakistan team



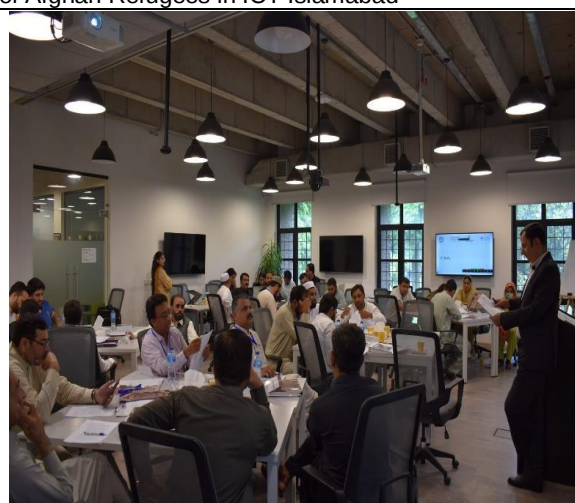
The E-Office Training organized by the Strengthening Institutions for Refugee's Administration (SIRA) Project for the employees of and SIRA and CCAR. Mr. Amir Muqam, Minister, KAGB and SAFRON, Mr. Asmat Ullah Shah, Chief Commissioner for Afghan Refugees, Mr. Bakht Muhammad Khan, Project Director SIRA and others were present in the training



Federal Parliamentary Secretary on Ministry of Kashmir, Gilgit-Baltistan Affairs SAFRON Mr. Anwar-ul-Haq Chaudhary was welcomed by Commissioner HQ Mr. Fayaz Wazir during his visit to office of the Chief Commissioner for Afghan Refugees. During his visit, he was briefed regarding current status of Afghan refugee and camps management across Pakistan. He was apprised of the overall Afghan population, geographic distribution of the camps and facilities being provided



The Chief Commissioner Afghan Refugees Islamabad Mr. Asmatullah Shah sb chaired a meeting of the key stakeholders regarding ongoing situation of Afghan Refugees in ICT Islamabad



First Cohort of Refugees Learning Program (RLP) under World Bank's SIRA Project. A three-day Refugee Protection Training held at Lahore University of Management Sciences (LUMS) under the SIRA Project, led by the Chief Commissionerate for Afghan Refugees, Ministry of Kashmir Affairs, Gilgit-Baltistan & SAFRON. The training aims to strengthen the capacity of staff from CCAR and Provincial CARs in refugee protection and service delivery.



GIZ is hosting a Capacity Development Training on Social Cohesion for the Chief Commissionerates for Afghan Refugees (CCAR/CARs) titled "Building Bridges: Fostering Social Cohesion between Forced Displaced Afghans and Host Communities (BBSC)" with a focus on promoting social cohesion through Urban Cohesion Hubs.



An orientation and advocacy session was held with officers of the Islamabad Police where Director Protection Mr. Muhammad Zakirullah apprised the participants about legal and protection framework of Afghan Refugees living in Pakistan.



Awareness and Advocacy Training held with CTD Islamabad in Police College Islamabad on 13 December 2024. Director Protection Mr. Muhammad Zakirullah represented office of the Chief Commissioner for Afghan Refugees and briefed the participants regarding legal binding and protection framework of Afghan Refugees situation.



The Chief Commissioner for Afghan Refugees, Mr. Asmat Ullah Shah, along with Chief Coordinator Operations Fakhar-e-Alam and Director Communication & Coordination Taimur Nawaz, met with a delegation from the JICA Pakistan Office. During the meeting, the JICA delegation briefed the Chief Commissioner on their Livelihood Improvement through Skills Development for Afghan Refugees and Host Communities project. This initiative aims to provide sustainable livelihood opportunities, reinforcing JICA's commitment to supporting Afghan refugees in Pakistan



Visit of Honorable Federal Minister for SAFRON, Mr. Amir Muqam to Balochistan



Coordination Meetings with Multiple national and international Stakeholders



Inauguration of a solarization project at Bolan Medical Complex in Quetta by UNHCR's Country Representative, Ms. Phillippa Candler

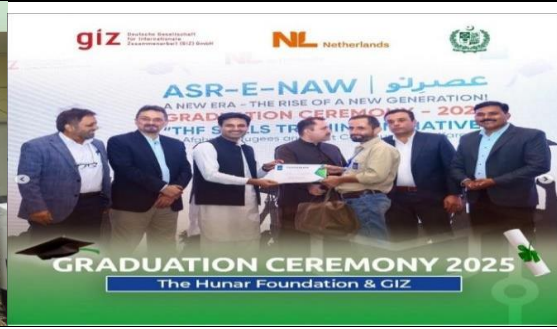


A Jirga meeting of Afghan Elders residing in Lahore was held in Commissionerate Afghan Refugees Punjab office on 17.07.2025, headed by Mr. Mazhar Yasin Khan Wattoo, Commissioner Afghan Refugees, Punjab to address the challenges / issues faced by the Afghan Refugees community in Lahore



A meeting of UNHCR & US Embassy Representatives was held with Mr. Mazhar Yasin Khan Wattoo, Commissioner Afghan Refugees, Punjab on 23.07.2025. An objective of the meeting was to discuss the issues / challenges faced by AR community in Punjab

A courtesy meeting with the Governor of Punjab Honorable Sardar Saleem Haider Khan by the UNHCR country Representative Ms Philipa Candler, Deputy Representative Ms. Fumiko Kashiwa, Rana Muhammad Arshad, Commissioner Afghan Refugees Punjab, Mr. Muhammad Usman Ghani Director (Management/Settlement/Legal) CAR Punjab & Mr. Farman Khilji Government Liaison Officer UNHCR at Governor's House, Lahore, Punjab on Friday, May 17, 2024



CAR Sindh remains committed to effective coordination, community engagement, and responsive service delivery in collaboration with all relevant partners to ensure the well-being of Afghan refugees in Sindh.



Meeting at CAR office with 3rd party verification team from Islamabad



Community Meeting/Awareness Sessions (Male) in All Health Facilities / RVs



Community Meeting/Awareness Sessions (Female) in All Health Facilities / RVs



Nutrition Screening and Rehabilitation

Chapter-5

PLANNING & MONITORING WING (P&M Wing)

Following the **NEC decision of 8th June 2022**, the role of the Ministry of Kashmir Affairs & Gilgit-Baltistan (KA&GB) in development matters relating to Azad Jammu & Kashmir (AJ&K) and Gilgit-Baltistan (GB) under the Federal Public Sector Development Programme (PSDP) has been significantly redefined. The responsibility for the processing and execution of PSDP projects has been shifted directly to the respective governments of AJ&K and GB. Monitoring role of these projects has been entrusted to M/o Planning Development & Special Initiatives. Ministry's functions now largely pertain to facilitation, coordination, and inter-governmental liaison on policy, planning, development matters etc. These functions are being carried out by Planning & Monitoring Wing of the Ministry.

Ministry continued to play a supportive role in representing AJ&K and GB at federal forums and in resolving cross-cutting issues, though its once-central position in development affairs of AJ&K and GB has transitioned towards a more advisory and coordinating capacity. During 2024–25, the Ministry of Kashmir Affairs and Gilgit-Baltistan (MKA & GB) effectively engaged all stakeholders over the constitutional, financial, and development issues of AJ&K and GB.

5.1 MAJOR PLANNING & COORDINATION EFFORTS FOR AJ&K, GB & SAFRON

- **NETU/URAAN PAKISTAN**

Remained in active collaboration with National Economic Transformation Unit of Ministry of PD&SI, to Align Sectoral Policies, Plans, and Interventions with Uraan Pakistan. A list of activities framed. Moreover, Government of AJ&K and GB also requested to share their respective plans. Chief P&M Focal Person and leading the efforts.

- **MANGLA DAM RAISING PROJECT**

Engaged all stakeholders to resolve the pending issues of Mangla Dam Raising Project pertaining to: payment of compensation in accordance with the recommendations of ECNEC dated 09.07.2024; repair of dykes and link roads; payment of funds for completion of left-over works etc.

- **POLITICAL DEMAND IN GB**

Secretariat support to Minister for Inter-Provincial Coordination in assessing the issues associated with political demand and better governance. The issues deliberated included recruitments to BS-16 posts, share from NFC award, better project management and delivery, transparency in public procurement. The deliberations duly participated by political leadership of GB and other stakeholders held deliberations to shift GB towards a financially sustainable model with enhanced tax collection, better federal monitoring of projects, rightsizing and outsourcing to control excessive recurring expenditure, and containment of throw-forward and better financial propriety.

- pursuant to merger of SAFRON Division, P&M Wing played a key role in resolving long-standing issues of CCAR, PSDP Projects SIRA as under:

- Delegation of Administrative & Development Powers
- Better Project Monitoring and Execution with active involvement of P&M Human Resource
- Resolution of procurement related issues and removal of bottlenecks
- Implementation of Prime Minister's Directives pertaining to Gilgit-Baltistan is of paramount importance. Ministry has put in place a robust mechanism to follow-up on the status of implementation of PM Directives and furnishing of reports to PM Office. This is achieved by convening of periodic meetings in the Main Ministry but also ensuring participation in meetings convened by various Federal Ministries on PM Directives. Due to rigorous follow-up significant progress was achieved in following projects/aspects:
 - Curtailing non-development expenditure, throw-forward and channeling more funds
 - PSB Coaching Centre GB
 - Counter-Terrorism Department GB
 - Skardu Water Supply Scheme
 - Rehabilitation and construction issues of Jaglot-Skardu Road
 - Third party validation shall be ensured during construction of Gilgit-Shandur Road
 - PKR 300 million through Export Development Fund (EDF) for upgrading Lapidary Centers in Gilgit and Skardu
 - 100 MW Solar, initially 50 MW
 - Electricity Issues in Skardu, Issues raised by renowned businessmen Shangri-La Resort
 - Provision of School, dispensary, playground and smoking chimneys

• **DIAMER BHASHA DAM**

Due to personal efforts by Minister for KA & GB and Secretary KA & GB followings issues of DBD were resolved:

- Water Supply & Sanitation Issues
- Land settlement issues
- Confidence Building Measures

GREEN SUKUK INITIATIVES

- During the reporting period, a request for identification of projects for Green Sukuk eligibility was received from the Planning Commission. The matter was taken up by the Planning Wing of the Ministry with the Government of Gilgit-Baltistan. In response, the Government of Gilgit-Baltistan identified and forwarded relevant projects along with requisite details. The Planning Wing examined, consolidated, and shared the compiled report with the Planning Commission for further consideration.
- Due to lead role played, the funds allocated under a Prime Minister's Special Package for AJ&K were transferred to projects near completion as under:
 - AJK Legislative Assembly Complex (Rs. 572 million)
 - Construction of Rathoa-Haryam Bridge (Rs. 3 billion)
 - Medical College Mirpur (Rs. 1 billion)
 - Medical College Muzaffarabad (Rs. 437.57 million)

- The issues pertaining to Wheat Subsidy, projects of ERRA and enhancement in Sanctioning powers of AKCDC/AKDWP were deliberated with concerned stakeholders
- Following up on the recommendations of the Committee on Prime Minister's Program on Development AJK, M/o KA, GB & SAFRON firmed up views and also invited input from Government of AJK. The recommendations were prepared for a Committee headed by Deputy Prime Minister and shall be placed before it soon. The ultimate objective of the recommendations was to channel 80% of the funds for new schemes in ADP and bring down recurring expenditure so that more fiscal space is available for development initiatives.
- During the Financial Year 2024–25, the Ministry of Kashmir Affairs and Gilgit-Baltistan undertook a range of policy, coordination, and administrative measures in respect of matters relating to Gilgit-Baltistan, in accordance with the approved mandate of the Ministry and directives of the Federal Government. Emphasis remained on addressing priority political issues, strategic planning initiatives, development projects, and effective follow-up of directions issued by the Prime Minister of Pakistan.

• **POLITICAL AND INSTITUTIONAL MATTERS**

- During the reporting period, a high-level committee was constituted to review the political demands of Gilgit-Baltistan. The committee was mandated to examine political, constitutional, and administrative issues, undertake consultations with relevant stakeholders, and submit recommendations for consideration by the Federal Government. Progress was achieved through meetings, deliberations, and inter-ministerial consultations during the Financial Year 2024–25.
- In addition, a separate committee was constituted to examine various issues relating to Gilgit-Baltistan, with the objective of addressing outstanding matters through consultative and institutional mechanisms.

• **STRATEGIC PLANNING INITIATIVES**

- The Ministry actively contributed to the 5Es Framework for the turnaround of Pakistan, with due consideration of development priorities of Gilgit-Baltistan. In this regard, policy inputs were provided, coordination with concerned Ministries/Divisions was undertaken, and alignment of regional priorities with national planning and reform frameworks was ensured.

• **PRIME MINISTER'S DIRECTIVES**

- During the Financial Year 2024–25, extensive work was carried out in compliance with directives issued by the Prime Minister of Pakistan. Key initiatives pursued in this regard included:
- Processing and approval of the project titled "Establishment of Monitoring Institute in Shigar", which was examined at the competent forum and subsequently forwarded to the Planning Commission for inclusion in the Public Sector Development Programme (PSDP).
- Coordination regarding establishment of Pakistan Sports Board (PSB) Sports Complexes at Shigar and Skardu.
- Follow-up on the 100 MW Solar Power Project aimed at promoting renewable energy in Gilgit-Baltistan.

- Processing of the proposal regarding provision of Rs. 300 million for the establishment of a Laboratory Centre in Gilgit-Baltistan.
- The Ministry ensured timely coordination with the Government of Gilgit-Baltistan, concerned line Departments, and relevant forums to facilitate implementation of the above initiatives.

- **HYDROPOWER AND ENERGY SECTOR**

- A meeting of the Supervisory Committee on Gilgit-Baltistan Hydropower Projects was held under the chairmanship of the Secretary, Ministry of Kashmir Affairs and Gilgit-Baltistan. The meeting reviewed progress, addressed outstanding issues, and provided guidance for expeditious implementation of hydropower projects in the region.
- In addition, a series of meetings was held to examine land compensation and related issues concerning the Diamer-Basha Dam Project, in coordination with relevant stakeholders and authorities.
- Furthermore, the case relating to the 40 MW Hydropower Project at Hanzel, Gilgit, was represented by the Ministry of Kashmir Affairs and Gilgit-Baltistan at the Central Development Working Party (CDWP) forum, in accordance with prescribed procedures.
- HCSP



Chapter-6

Jammu & Kashmir State Property

1. Enhanced the rent/lagan of Government agricultural land situated at Rehmanpura/Sultanpura, Lahore, from Rs. 2000/- to Rs. 8000/- per/acre/annum.
2. Initial survey for Geo-fencing/Arial mapping of Government land situated at Sultanpura/Rehmanpura, Lahore, through physical verification of agricultural land situated at Villages of Sultanpura and Rehmanpura, has been completed.
3. Initiated the process of Geo-tagging of all the urban properties/land.
4. Extended the contract with Punjab Information Technology Board (PITB) for digitalization of office record and Geo-tagging of all properties/land of J&K State Property in Pakistan.
5. Implemented the rationalization plan of Federal Government by demolishing 13 posts of different cadres.
6. The Annual Rental Demand in financial year 2024-2025 is Rs. 324.824/-

WAY FORWARD

- Geo-tagging of all the urban properties/land through Google mapping.
- Digitalization of the office record.
- Fresh demarcation of all agricultural land being managed by J&K State Property.
- Optimization plan of resources of J&K State Property.
- Re-negotiation of rent of urban properties as well agricultural properties
- Capacity building of human resource through regular trainings.
- Development of business plan of J&K State Property in Pakistan.
- The Office of the Administrator is going to start the E-Billing system of collecting lagan/rent instead of manual receipt.



Chapter-7

Azad Jammu & Kashmir Council Secretariat

Azad Jammu and Kashmir Council was established under Article 21 of the Azad Jammu and Kashmir Interim Constitution, 1974 with the following composition, -

- a. the Prime Minister of Pakistan as Chairman;
- b. the President of AJK as its Vice Chairman;
- c. five Members to be nominated by the Prime Minister of Pakistan from time to time from amongst Federal Minister and members of Parliament;
- d. the Prime Minister of Azad Jammu and Kashmir or a person nominated by him; and
- e. six members to be elected by the Assembly from amongst State Subjects in accordance with the system of proportional representation by means of the single transferable vote.

In accordance with the provisions of sub-Article (8) of Article 21 of the Azad Jammu and Kashmir Interim Constitution, 1974, the Council shall have an advisory role in respect of matters and subjects, referred to in sub Article (3) of Article 31 and in respect of the responsibilities of Government of Pakistan under the UNCIP Resolutions. The list of matters and subjects assigned to AJ&K Council in its advisory jurisdiction are at Annex-I.

The Council advises appointment of Chief Justices and Judges of Supreme Court and High Court of AJ&K under Article 42 and 43 of the Azad Jammu and Kashmir Interim Constitution, 1974. Besides, the Council Secretariat processes the case for soliciting advice of the Chairman, AJ&K Council / Prime Minister of Islamic Republic of Pakistan for appointment of Chief Election Commissioner, AJ&K under Article 50 of the Azad Jammu and Kashmir Interim Constitution, 1974.

Key Developments and Achievements (2024–25)

1. Transfer of Funds

In line with the mutually agreed functional arrangement, the AJ&K Council Secretariat transferred its saving funds amounting to Rs. 984.945 million to the Azad Govt. of the State of Jammu and Kashmir on account of “Invested Funds”, for development and other projects for betterment of people of AJ&K.

2. Adaptation / Extension / Enactment of Federal Laws for the Territory of AJ&K.

Several laws of federal nature were not adapted/extended/enacted for the territory

of AJ&K. The AJ&K Council has initiated the process for the adaptation / extension / enactment of 27 laws within the territory of AJ&K that fall under the jurisdiction of the Federal Government, in accordance with Part A of 3rd Schedule of the AJ&K Interim Constitution, 1974. These laws have been vetted from the Law Division and have been submitted to the Chairman, AJ&K Council / Prime Minister of Pakistan for approval to be placed in upcoming Session of the Council. However, the Prime Minister of Pakistan has constituted a committee under the chairmanship of Deputy Prime Minister of Pakistan to brief the Prime Minister on the agenda items before convening of the session.

3. Appointment of Chief Justice of AJ&K High Court

The Chief Justice of AJ&K High Court is appointed by the President, AJ&K on the advice of Chairman, AJ&K Council / Prime Minister of Pakistan. Accordingly, Mr. Justice Sardar Liaqat Hussain, the Acting Chief Justice of the AJ&K High Court, was appointed as the Chief Justice of the AJ&K High Court upon the advice of the Chairman of the AJ&K Council, in accordance with Article 43(2-A).

ANNEX-I

THIRD SCHEDULE

[See Article 31 (3) and (4)]

‘Part-A’

1. The responsibilities of the Government of Pakistan under the UNCIP Resolutions.
2. Defense and security of Azad Jammu and Kashmir.
3. The current coin or the issue of bills, notes or other paper currency.
4. The External affairs of Azad Jammu and Kashmir including foreign trade and foreign aid.
5. Post and Telegraphs, including Telephones, Wireless, Broad- Casting and other like forms of communications; post office saving Bank.
6. Nuclear energy, including,-
 - (a) mineral resources necessary for the generation of nuclear energy;
 - (b) the production of nuclear fuels and the generation and use of nuclear energy; and
 - (c) ionizing radiations.
7. Aircraft and air navigation; the provision of aerodromes; regulation and organization of air traffic and of aerodromes.
8. Beacons and other provisions for safety of aircraft.
9. Carriage of passengers and goods by air.
10. Copyright, inventions, designs, trademarks and merchandise marks.
11. Opium so far as regards sale for export.
12. State Bank of Pakistan; banking, that is to say, the conduct of banking business by corporations other than corporations owned or controlled by Azad Jammu

and Kashmir and carrying on business only within the Azad Jammu and Kashmir.

13. The law of insurance, except as respects insurance undertaken by Azad Jammu and Kashmir and the regulation of the conduct of insurance business, except as respects business undertaken by Azad Jammu and Kashmir.
14. Stock exchanges and future markets with objects and business not confined to Azad Jammu and Kashmir.
15. Corporations, that is to say, the incorporation, regulation and winding-up of trading corporations, including banking, insurance and financial corporations, but not including corporations owned or controlled by Azad Jammu and Kashmir or cooperative societies, and of corporations, whether trading or not, with objects not confined to Azad Jammu and Kashmir, but not including universities.
16. Planning for economic coordination including planning and coordination of scientific and technological research.
17. Highways, continuing beyond the territory of Azad Jammu and Kashmir and also roads declared by the Government of Pakistan to be of strategic importance.
18. External affairs; the implementing of treaties and agreements, including educational and cultural pacts and agreements, with other countries; extradition, including the surrender of criminals and accused persons to Governments outside Pakistan.
19. Foreign exchange; cheques, bills of exchange, promissory notes and other like instruments.
20. Administrative Courts and Tribunals for subjects under this Part.
21. Libraries, museums, and similar institutions controlled or financed by the Government of Pakistan.
22. Government of Pakistan agencies and institutes for the following purposes, that is to say, for research, for professional or technical training, or for the promotion of special studies.
23. Education as respects Azad Jammu and Kashmir students in foreign countries and foreign students in Azad Jammu and Kashmir.
24. Import and export across customs frontiers as defined by the Government of Pakistan.
25. International treaties, conventions, agreements and International arbitration.
26. Surveys including geological surveys and meteorological organizations.
27. Establishment of standards of weights and measures.
28. Duties of customs, including export duties.
29. Taxes on corporations.
30. Offences against laws with respect to any of the matters in this Part.
31. Inquiries and statistics for the purposes of any of the matters in this Part.
32. Matters incidental or ancillary to any matter enumerated in this Part.

Chapter-8

Gilgit-Baltistan Council Secretariat

GILGIT BALTISTAN COUNCIL SECRETARIAT

The Gilgit-Baltistan Council (GBC) was established under Article 33 of the Gilgit-Baltistan (Empowerment and Self Governance) Order, 2009 under the Chairmanship of the Prime Minister of Pakistan. The President of Islamic Republic of Pakistan promulgated the Government of Gilgit- Baltistan Order, 2018, which is existing legal framework for governing the region of Gilgit Baltistan. The Gilgit Baltistan Council Secretariat has adapted the Civil Servant Act, 1973 along- with all rules, notifications and orders made thereunder. Gilgit-Baltistan Council endeavors that regime of Gilgit-Baltistan rises at least to the same level as other areas of Pakistan. The Council is faced with a great challenge to perform its assigned functions for Gilgit-Baltistan region and Council intends to achieve its objectives with the help of Government of Gilgit-Baltistan and Federal Government.

Gilgit-Baltistan Council Secretariat has one Joint Secretary (BS-20), one Deputy Secretary (BS-19). The Deputy Secretary (GBC) is In-charge of all sections. It has Administration /Council, Finance, Engineering, General and Legal Sections.

ADMINISTRATION & COUNCIL SECTION

This section comprises of a Section Officer who is responsible for managing the internal operations of the Council, including personnel matters, office management, procurement, record keeping, coordination, and ensuring compliance with government rules. This Section, on the other hand, handles all affairs related to the functioning of the Council, such as organizing Council meetings, preparing agendas and minutes, maintaining liaison with Members and relevant departments, supporting policy and legislative processes, and monitoring implementation of Council decisions. The section ensures smooth administrative functioning and effective coordination between the Ministry of KAGB&SAFRON and GB Council. The Admn. & Council Section of Gilgit-Baltistan Council Secretariat has performed / accomplished following tasks during the Financial year 2024-2025:-

- i. The Lawyers Welfare and Protection Act, 2023 (XXIV of 2023)
- ii. Qanun-e-Shahadat (Amendment) Act, 2023 (XXXIX of 2023)
- iii. National Accountability (Amendment) Act, 2023
- iv. The Criminal Laws (Amendment) Act, 2023 (Act No. XXXVII of 2023)
- v. Control of Narcotics Substances (Amendment) Act, 2023 (Act No. XXXVIII of 2023)
- vi. Official Secrets (Amendment) Act, 2023 (LXIII of 2023)
- vii. The Code of Criminal Procedure (Amendment) Act, 2022 (XXXIX of 2022)
- viii. The Torture and Custodial Death (Prevention and Punishment) Act, 2022(XXVIII of 2022)

- ix. The Juvenile Justice System (Amendment) Act, 2022 (II of 2022)
- x. The National Accountability (Amendment) Act, 2022 (VII of 2022)
- xi. The National Accountability (Second Amendment) Act, 2022 (XVI of 2022)
- xii. The Control of Narcotic Substances (Amendment), 2022 (XX of 2022)
- xiii. The Criminal Law (Amendment) Act, 2021 (LVI of 2021)
- xiv. The Anti-Rape (Investigation and Trial) Act, 2021 (XXX of 2021)
- xv. The Protection of Journalists and Media Professionals Act, 2021 (XXIII of 2021)
- xvi. The Criminal Laws (Amendment) Act, 2022 (Act XXXVII of 2022)
- xvii. The Pakistan Arms (Amendment) Act, 2021 (Act No. VII of 2021)
- xviii. The National Accountability (Amendment) Act, 2021 (Act No. XX of 2021)
- xix. The Anti-terrorism (Third Amendment) Act, 2020 (XXXII of 2020)
- xx. The Anti-terrorism (Second Amendment) Act, 2020 (XXIII of 2020)
- xxi. The Anti-terrorism (Amendment) Act, 2020 (XX of 2020)
- xxii. Legal Aid & Justice Authority Act, 2020 (XVI of 2020)
- xxiii. The Anti-Money Laundering (Amendment) Act, 2020 (Act No. XI of 2020)
- xxiv. The National Counter Terrorism Authority (Amendment) Act, 2020 (Act No. XIV of 2020)
- xxv. The Control of Narcotic Substances (Amendment) Act, 2020 (Act No. XXIV of 2020)
- xxvi. The Anti-Money Laundering (Second Amendment) Act, 2020 (Act No. XXX of 2020)
- xxvii. The Juvenile Justice System Act, 2018 (XXII of 2018)
- xxviii. Anti-Terrorism (Amendment) Act, 2018 (XV of 2018)
- xxix. The Prevention of Trafficking in Persons Act, 2018 (XXXIV of 2018)
- xxx. The Criminal Laws (Amendment) Act, 2018 (Act No. XXVII of 2018)
- xxxi. The Public Interest Disclosure Act, 2017 (XXXVI of 2017)
- xxxii. The Explosive Substances (Amendment) Act, 2017 (XVI of 2017)
- xxxiii. The Criminal Laws (Amendment) Act, 2017 (IV of 2017)
- xxxiv. The National Counter Terrorism Authority (Amendment) Act, 2017 (Act No. XXVI of 2017).

- The Admn. & Council Section successfully organized a meeting between the Members of the Gilgit-Baltistan Council and the President of Pakistan. During this meeting, the President provided key directives, which were subsequently addressed through a series of consultative meetings with relevant stakeholders. A comprehensive report outlining the actions taken was submitted to the President's Office.
- Remained actively engaged in legislative work, including the vetting and adaptation of various Acts, Laws and Amendments for the territory of Gilgit-Baltistan. This involved reviewing proposed legislation to ensure compliance with the Gilgit-Baltistan Order, 2018, and maintaining close coordination with all concerned Ministries, Divisions, and the Government of Gilgit-Baltistan regarding new laws and acts under consideration. Moreover, the Section was

extensively involved in the preparation of the 14th session of the Gilgit- Baltistan Council.

- Arranged meetings of the Gilgit Baltistan Council's Standing Committee to discuss the different issues of GB Council on 26-09-2024 and 08-01-2025.
- Processed following tasks received on the PMDU portal, during the period of 2024-25.

Sr.#	Date	Complaint #	Subject
01	18-05-2024	T16901C	A Committee on the Issues of Gilgit-Baltistan
02	02-08-2024	T17333C	Litigation and Court Cases
03	04-08-2024	T17356C	CCoSOEs to complete its deliberations, review and reconsideration process and finalize its recommendations on all SOEs
04	15-09-2024	IS150924 - 9149074 4	Merger of Mr. Khalid Javed Protocol Officer in GB Council, Rightsizing, reappointment of Mr. Ibrahim
05	07-11-2024	T18025C	Water Supply, Sanitation, Land Settlement Issues & WAPDA Confidence Building Measures
06	07-11-2024	T18020C	Appointment of Judges in Supreme Court Gilgit-Baltistan
07	11-11-2024	T18077C	All Federal Ministries / Divisions to provide a list of MoUs/Agreements signed with Foreign Countries / International organizations since 4 th March, 2024 within their respective areas of jurisdiction, along-with updated status of follow-up and implementation, within one week.
08	22-11-2024	T18136C	Dedicated procurement units / cells shall be established in all Ministries / organization.
09	22-11-2024	T18135C	All ministries / organizations and procuring agencies shall make procurements only through e-Procurement system (e-PADS)
10	03-01-2025	T18532C	All inter-ministerial correspondence shall exclusively be conducted through E-office.
11	07-02-2025	T18862C	Review of high value litigation and management of high value cases.

FINANCE SECTION

This section deals all administrative matters relating to appointment, promotion, transfer, seniority, resignation and leave etc. of gazetted/non-gazetted employees of the attached departments of GB Council Secretariat i.e. office of the Accountant

General, Gilgit-Baltistan, Directorate General Audit, Gilgit-Baltistan and Department of Inland Revenue, Gilgit-Baltistan (in accordance with the administrative powers delegated as per ESTA Code). The Finance Section of Gilgit- Baltistan Council Secretariat has performed / accomplished following tasks during the Financial year 2024-25:-

- Generation of Rs. 1190.229 million (FY 2024-2025) through investment of Council's Funds.
- Collection of Rs 316.519 million (FY 2024-2025) on account of Misc. Taxes.
- On the directions of Prime Minister's Office 201 posts of attached departments of GBC are abolished.
- Appointment of 5 x Data Entry Operator (BS-14) and 8 x Junior Auditor (BS-11) in the office of AG-GB dated 13.01.2025.

ENGINEERING SECTION

The Engineering Wing deals with Planning of development related projects and construction/maintenance of GB Council Office building. The Engineering Section of Gilgit- Baltistan Council Secretariat has performed / accomplished following tasks during the Financial year 2024-25:-

- Finalization of Design of the GBC building
- Topographic and Geotechnical investigation tender of building
- Case of Possession of plot initiated
- Change Nomenclature of 3x Schemes of Member Development Program (MDP)
- Departmental Working Party meeting for approval of Solarization of Government and Private Entity in GBC
- Relaxation in Bye Laws of CDA for the proposed building of GBC.

LEGAL SECTION

This Section is responsible for dealing all litigation pertaining to Gilgit-Baltistan Council, appointment of Judges of the Superior Judiciary in the Gilgit-Baltistan, fixation of pay and allowances etc. of the Judges of the Superior Judiciary of Gilgit-Baltistan. The Legal Section of Gilgit-Baltistan Council Secretariat has performed / accomplished following tasks during the Financial year 2024-25:-

- Judge of Banking & Customs Courts Gilgit-Baltistan, Gilgit was appointed for a period of three years.
- Legal Section prepared and submitted para-wise comments of all litigation preferred against the Council / Ministry of Kashmir Affairs, Gilgit Baltistan and Saffron in addition to legal advice tendered on issues referred to the Section.

ACCOUNTS SECTION

The Accounts Section deals in all financial matters pertaining GB Council and its departments. The following are the major responsibilities of Accounts Section: -

- Preparation of Budget Estimates and Revised Budget Estimates of the Gilgit-Baltistan Council and its departments and its submission to Ministry of KAGB&SAFRON for onward submission to Finance Division.
- Scrutiny and processing with Ministry of KAGB&SAFRON, the proposals for Re- appropriation of funds, Supplementary and Technical Supplementary Grants relating to GB Council.
- Reconciliation with AGPR, Islamabad and its submission to Ministry of KAGB&SAFRON on monthly basis.
- All matters relating to DAC / PAC pertaining to Regularity Audit of GB Council and its departments.

The Accounts Section of Gilgit-Baltistan Council Secretariat has performed / accomplished following tasks during the Financial year 2024-25:-

- Total funds of **Rs. 1270.592 million** has been approved in respect of GB Council and its departments during FY 2023-24, out of which Rs. 870.592 million obtained from Finance Division and Rs. 400.000 from GB Council Consolidated to meet the budget deficit.
- Rs. 170.000 million have been transferred to GB Government out of Council's fund for the provision of electricity through operation of diesel generators to address the electricity crisis in GB.
- On the directives of Prime Minister of Pakistan Rs. 1.00 billion have been transferred to GB Government out of Council's fund for the establishment of Endowment Fund(s) for University of Baltistan and Karakoram International University (500 million each).
- On the directives of President of Pakistan, the regulations governing the Council's Consolidated Fund have been framed and notified under the title "The Gilgit-Baltistan Council (Regulation of Council's Consolidated Fund, Assets, all Rights, Liabilities and Obligations) Order, 2025" vide S.R.O No.1060(I)/2025 dated 16.06.2025.
- Conducted Pre-PACs meetings on the accounts of GB Council & its departments for previous Audit Years from 2014-2015 to 2018-2019 in order to get prepared for next GB Council PAC and directives of the committee were issued to all concerns for compliance & necessary action.
- Revenue collection of **Rs.212.744 million** from PTA as Non-USF share for the financial year.

8.1 ACCOUNTANT GENERAL OFFICE GILGIT-BALTISTAN

The office of the Accountant General Gilgit-Baltistan (AG-GB) was established under the directives of the Chairman, Gilgit-Baltistan Council/Prime Minister of Pakistan, in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by the Gilgit-Baltistan (Empowerment and Self-Governance) Order, 2009. The establishment of the office was further formalized under the Gilgit-Baltistan Controller General of Accounts (Appointment, Functions and Powers) Act, 2012, through the Gilgit-Baltistan Council Secretariat's Notification No.

1(7)/2011-GBC-F&A dated 29th June, 2012. The AG-GB functions as an attached department of the Gilgit-Baltistan Council.

Functions and Responsibility

The Accountant General Gilgit-Baltistan (AGGB) plays a pivotal role in regulating and implementing the financial and administrative operations of the Government of Gilgit-Baltistan as well as Gilgit-Baltistan Council. The key functions and responsibilities of the AGGB include:

- Accounting and reporting of all GB Govt. and GB Council's Transactions.
- To authorize Payments and Receipts against GB Govt. and GB Council's Consolidated Fund Accounts after applying prescribed Pre/Post-Audit Checks i.e. Audit of Allocation, Audit of Sanction, Audit of Regularity & Audit of Propriety.
- To prepare the consolidated Monthly Accounts and Annual Accounts (Financial Statements and Appropriation Accounts) of the GB Govt. and GB Council and submit to appropriate forums i.e. AGP, CGA, GB Govt., GB Council, Federal Finance Division and all Stakeholders.
- To Coordinate and Consult with the GB Govt. and GB Council and extend all legitimate assistance to secure Regularity and enforce Propriety.

The Accountant General Gilgit-Baltistan (AGGB) has performed / accomplished following tasks during the Financial year 2024-25:-

- Framing of Recruitment Rules of Senior Auditors (BPS-16).
- Implementation/adoption of Timescale Policy of the Federal Govt.
- Configuration of MPG in SAP System.
- Solarization of AGGB main office Gilgit.
- Acquisition of 5 Kanal land and construction of boundary wall for DAO (Kharmang).

8.2 ACCOUNTANT GENERAL OFFICE GILGIT-BALTISTAN

The department of the Auditor-General of Gilgit-Baltistan was established under Article 83 of the Gilgit-Baltistan (Empowerment and Self-Government) Order 2009. The Auditor-General of Gilgit-Baltistan (Functions, Powers and Terms and Conditions of Service) Act 2012 was issued on 06.06.2012. However, the Federal Government promulgated "The Government of Gilgit-Baltistan Order, 2018" vide SRO 704(I)/2018 under Article 258 of the Constitution of Islamic Republic of Pakistan, 1973 which envisages a new political and administrative structure for Gilgit-Baltistan. Now the President of Islamic Republic of Pakistan has approved "The Gilgit-Baltistan Council (Regulation of Council's Consolidated Fund, Assets, all Rights, Liabilities and Obligations) Order, 2025" in terms of Article 121 of Gilgit-Baltistan Order 2018 which is extended to the Gilgit- Baltistan Council and its departments.

The Directorate General Audit, Gilgit-Baltistan was established during 2012 as a Field Audit Office of the Department of the Auditor-General of Gilgit-Baltistan. However, it is dependent upon the Gilgit-Baltistan Council for all its budgetary requirements.

The Directorate General Audit, Gilgit-Baltistan is mandated to conduct the audit of the accounts of Gilgit-Baltistan Government and Gilgit-Baltistan Council and to prepare their separate reports. The audit of the Gilgit-Baltistan Government and Gilgit-Baltistan Council is conducted in accordance with the provisions of the Auditor-General of Gilgit-Baltistan (Functions, Powers and Terms & Conditions of Service) Act 2012.

Types of Audits

The Directorate General Audit, Gilgit-Baltistan, Gilgit conducts the following types of Audits:-

- Certification Audit of Appropriation Accounts and Financial Statements of the Gilgit-Baltistan Government and Gilgit-Baltistan Council.
- Compliance with Authority Audit
- Performance Audit
- Financial Attest Audit of Foreign Aided Projects
- Special Studies / Special Audit
- Thematic Audit
- Impact Audit

Audit Methodology

Audit was conducted in accordance with the International Organization of Supreme Audit Institutions (INTOSAI) Auditing Standards as incorporated in Financial Audit Manual. During audit, desk audit and review of permanent files helped auditors in understanding the systems, procedures and environment of the audited entities before starting field activity. This greatly facilitated in the identification of high-risk areas for substantive testing in the field.

Scope of Audit

The audit universe of the Directorate-General of Audit Gilgit-Baltistan is mandated to consist of audit of 715 formations working under 35 PAOs. Total receipts and expenditures of these formations were Rs.107.020 billion and Rs.108.634 billion respectively (i.e. 715 formations) for the financial year 2023-24.

The Audit Report 2024-25 contains audit of 188 formations in respect of 35 PAOs / Departments having a total expenditure of Rs.362.117 billion for the financial years 2022-23 and 2023-24. The audit report includes audit observations emanating from the audit of 188 formations involving expenditures of Rs.362.117 billion.

One impact audit i.e. Value Chain Development a component of Economic Transformation Initiative (ETI) Gilgit-Baltistan financed by International Fund for Agriculture Development and Co-Financed by Italian Agency of Development Cooperation was also part of the audit report.

The Directorate General of Audit, Gilgit-Baltistan also conducted audit of Foreign Aided Project and the audit report has been prepared separately and submitted to the management and donor agency.

Audit Impact

Major issues pointed out during audit were admitted by the management and corrective/remedial measures were initiated. The management keenly reviewed strengthening of internal controls and taking corrective measures thereupon.

The most significant examples of review of rules and regulations by the management and introduction of new policies and initiatives as a result of audit are enumerated as under:

- i. The S&GAD with the approval of Finance Department has operationalized the Government of Gilgit-Baltistan Employees Benevolent Fund and Group Insurance during October 2024.
- ii. Dividend on Government shares in KCBL has been made part of Gilgit-Baltistan Consolidated Fund after audit objection, which was earlier utilized by the GBRSP directly.
- iii. Finance Department released an amount of Rs.1,500.000 million to respective departments for payment of compensation to the deceased families.
- iv. Case regarding establishment of "Environment Fund" was placed before the Gilgit-Baltistan Cabinet. It directed the Finance Department for devising a policy for collection and utilization of "Environment Fund".
- v. The S&GAD has retrieved luxurious vehicles like V8 from officers in November, 2024 and initiated a case for amendments in staff car rules to determine the engine capacity for entitled officers.
- vi. The Forest and Wildlife Department has raised "Forest and Wildlife Force" for protection and conservation of forest. Previously, the watch and guard functions were being performed by Frontier Constabulary on payment.

Recoveries at the Instance of Audit

Recovery of Rs.2,637.765 million has been pointed out in the audit report of 2024-25 and an amount of Rs.76.845 million was recovered and verified. Similarly, recovery of an amount of Rs.663.914 million has been affected on PAC directives during the audit year 2024-25 in respect of Audit Reports for the period 2012-13 to 2022-23.

Sectoral Analysis

The Government of Gilgit-Baltistan conducts its operations under the Government of Gilgit-Baltistan, Order, 2018. The Order provides for establishment of a Gilgit-Baltistan Consolidated Fund and Public Account. The annual budget statement is authorized by

the Provincial Assembly in the form of budgetary grants. The financial statements focus on reporting the budgetary activities of the government for the financial year.

The financial management system of government determines the objectives, formulates the policies, lays out the procedures, implements the Programme, and allocates the budgets for all financial activities of government. Streamlined financial management practice ensures availability of sufficient funds and maintenance of a balance between income and expenses ensuring financial stability and value for money. Total receipts of Government of Gilgit-Baltistan for the financial year 2023-24 were Rs.107,019.62 million including grant from Federal Government. Details are as under:

Receipt for the Financial Year 2023-24

S. No.	Composition of Receipts	Amount	%age
1	Grant from Federal Government (Dev)	24,949.97	23.31
2	Grant from Federal Government (Non-Dev)	73,588.00	68.76
3	Foreign Grants	2,234.26	2.09
4	Gilgit-Baltistan Govt.'s Own Collection (Tax)	372.41	0.35
5	Revenue and Other Receipts (Non-Tax) including sale proceeds of wheat (2,866.54)	5,443.94	5.09
6	Recovery of loans and advances	431.04	0.40
Total Receipts		107,019.62	100

Source: Financial Statement for the Financial Year 2023-24

Audit Plan for Audit year 2025-26

The audit plan for the Audit Year 2025-26 has been approved by the Auditor-General of Gilgit-Baltistan and the details of the audit to be conducted during the Audit Year 2025-26 is as under:

S. No.	Type of Audit	No. of Audit Planned this Year
1	Compliance with authority	151
2	Certification Attest Audit	02
3	Foreign Audit Project Audit	05
4	Impact Audit	01
5	Special Audit	01
6	Special Study	01
Total		161

Human Resources of Directorate General Audit, Gilgit-Baltistan, Gilgit

There are 55 sanctioned posts against which 29 posts are filled. At present one post of Director, one post of Deputy Director & Audit Officer and four posts of Assistant Audit Officers are lying vacant. There is no permanent staff in the office except Naib Qasids, Drivers and Chowkidars. Besides sanctioned posts, few employees are working on contingent basis on fixed monthly pay in accordance with their qualification approved from time to time by the Gilgit-Baltistan Council Secretariat, Islamabad. Details are as under:

Name of post	BPS	Total		
		Sanctioned Strength	Available Strength	Vacant Posts
Director General	20	1	1	0
Director	19	1	0	1
Deputy Director	18	2	1	1
Audit Officer	18	7	6	1
Assistant Audit Officer	17	7	3	4
Senior Auditor	16	5	5	0
Junior Auditor	11	2	0	2
Support Staff	1-10	30	13	17
Total		55	29	26

Detailed number of Audits Planned and Targets Achieved during the Audit Year 2024-25

Audit Planned

Compliance Audit	Impact Audit	Performance Audit	Environment Audit	Thematic Audit	Special Study	Certification Audit	FAP Audit	Total
184	1	0	0	0	0	2	4	191

Audit Achieved

Compliance Audit	Impact Audit	Performance Audit	Environment Audit	Thematic Audit	Special Study	Certification Audit	FAP Audit	Total
184	1	0	0	0	0	2	4	191

8.3 DEPARTMENT INLAND REVENUE GILGIT-BALTISTAN

The Department of Inland Revenue GB was established in 2013 with the mandate to collect, regulate, and enhance tax revenue under the supervision of the GB Council Secretariat Islamabad. During its initial years, the Department performed remarkably well and consistently achieved targets beyond the assigned benchmarks, thereby

contributing significantly to the fiscal strength of the Council. However, in 2018, the operations of the Department were restrained through directions issued by the GB Council's Secretariat vide letter F.No. 3(5)/2014/F-II-GBC dated: 04-01-2018. Despite these challenges the department continued its efforts for institutional strengthening and gradually resumed progressive measures in line with Council's Policy.

The Department of Inland Revenue, Gilgit-Baltistan has performed / accomplished following tasks during the Financial year 2024-25:-

- Tax revenue collected for Financial Year 2024-25 is Rs. 303.729 million.
- Registration of 12 Companies, 17 AOPs, 200 Salaried Individuals and 65 Business individual as a new taxpayers.
- Return received by Companies 19, 06 by AOPs, and 01 by Business Individuals.
- Total 23 Withholding Statements received by the Taxpayers.
- 05 Exemptions issued to the Companies, 07 Exemption issued to the AOPs and 20 issued to the Business Individuals

Department of Inland Revenue remains committed to achieving sustainable revenue growth, broadening the tax base, ensuring transparency and providing better taxpayer services in the region.

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