

**Prime Minister's Office
Board of Investment
Islamabad**

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Islamabad, October 26, 2020

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: **MINUTES OF THE 1ST REVIEW MEETING OF THE 6TH REFORM ACTION PLAN**

The undersigned is directed to refer to the subject noted above and to enclose minutes of the meeting held on October 12, 2020 at BoI, Islamabad, for initiating actions as per the decisions, please.

Encl: As above


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2. Chairman, Federal Board of Revenue, Islamabad.
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4. Chairman, NEPRA, Islamabad.
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8. Senior Member, Board of Revenue, Sindh
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10. Secretary, Planning and Development, Govt. of Punjab, Lahore.
11. Chief Executive Officer, K-Electric, Karachi.
12. Chief Executive Officer, Lahore Electric Supply Company, Lahore.

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1. SO to Secretary BOI
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3. PS to Director (EODB),BOI

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The 1st review meeting of the 6th Ease of Doing Business (EODB) reform action plan was held on 12th October, 2020 in the Board of Investment (BOI) under the chairmanship of Secretary BOI, Ms. Fareena Mazhar. The list of participants of the meeting is attached at **Annex-A**.

2. The summary of deliberations of the meeting for key reform actions is tabulated below:

Proposed Action Plan	Responsible Agency	Decision Taken / Status
Starting A Business		
Opening of Bank Account through SECP e-Services	SECP	This facility is only for the directors of the companies. It will be completed as per deadline (31-03-2021).
Integrate Punjab Business Registration Portal with FBR	FBR/ PITB	PITB has signed MOU with FBR and also requested the latter to provide URLs. FBR would expedite the same to enable PITB to complete the integration.
Construction Permit (Karachi)		
Introducing GIS	SBCA	System of Geo tagging is already in place. As per methodology, only elimination of initial physical inspection is required.
Centralizing the obtaining of all NOCs	SBCA	Completed as per methodology.
Rolling-Out the E-Permits and E-payments	SBCA	Under process. It will be completed on deadline (31-03-2021)
Allowing private firms to sign off completion certificate	SBCA	SBCA will adopt the model followed by LDA to complete this task
Reduce and harmonize cost	SBCA	KWSB will represent detailed analysis of cost minimization in the next meeting

Construction Permit (Lahore)		
Introducing GIS	LDA	LDA informed that PITB is on board. GIS is planned to be completed as per deadline.(31-03-2021)
Risk-based categorization of buildings	LDA	Completed. Now the applicants of low risk category can start construction at site once the application is submitted.
Insurance policy to cover possible structural flaws in the building.	LDA	Completed. A completion certificate of multi storey building No. 03 C—III, Gulberg-III has been issued to Ahmed Fazeel Khan after duly insured by Shaheen Insurance Company Limited, Office No. 06, 6 th floor Shaheen Complex 38 Abbott Road. LDA will share data of all such cases during Feb 2021.
Rolling-Out the E-Permits and E-payments	LDA	LDA is working to introduce 1-link connection for online payments through all banks. 1-link agreement is under process. To be completed as per deadline.
Getting Electricity(Lahore)		
Reducing time of getting new connections from 58 to 48	NEPRA/LESCO	Change in Manual can be considered after consultation with other Discos.
Getting Electricity(Karachi)		
Cost revision of new connections	K.E	Under process
Online New Connection Application registration via KE Live App (Andriod)	K.E	Already in place.
Registering Property(Lahore)		
Reducing time to obtain a decision from the first-instance court (without appeal).	PLRA/Law Deptt	PLRA has written to law deptt. P &D Punjab will follow up.

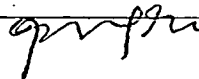
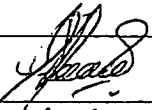
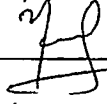
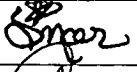

Automation of stamp duties issuance and Sales Certificate	PITB	Done under e-kidmat initiative.
Digitalization of ownership records and cadastral plans and improvement of the GIS system	PLRA	Punjab Urban Unit and PLRA are working on this project.
Registering Property(Karachi)		
Outsourcing of independent complaint resolution system.	BOR Sindh	Tender preparation is in process.
Mutation through LRMIS	BOR Sindh	BOR is working on three areas namely automation of sales certificate, e-stamping and app for registration. For online registration and amendments in the Act, a summary has been sent to CM Sindh . Investment Department Sindh will share the Summary with BOI for following up the matter .
Getting Credit		
Sharing data from utilities and retail companies, with the Private Credit Bureaus	SBP	KE agreed and meeting is scheduled in the next week with PTA. As regards OGRA ,SBP requested BOI to take up the case with OGRA for which initial details will be provided to BOI.
Protecting Minority Investor		
Amendments in Related party regulations	SECP	Will be completed by the deadline (31-03-2021)
Paying Taxes		
Corporate tax refunds through direct bank transfer	FBR	FBR to nominate a focal person from IR Policy Wing. BOI will hold a separate meeting with senior management of FBR to discuss all EoDB issues.
Trading Across Borders		
Operationalization of Pakistan Single Window	FBR/ Customs	The first phase of the pilot project should preferably be completed by December 2020
Enhancing the Export of Green	FBR/ Customs	FBR is working to enhance green

Channel Clearances at PMBQ for traders above 75%		channel to 77%
Packing and repacking of goods – Single agency as per international practice	FBR/ Customs	Customs will rephrase its action plan to clarify what exactly would be done as existing text is misleading. Moreover, a strategy would be shared to conduct simultaneous inspection by the Customs and other authorized inspection agencies involved.
Contract Enforcement (Lahore)		
Cases to be randomly and automatically assigned to judges.	LHC/LDC	P& D Punjab is following up with the Registrar to complete all reforms on time.
Contract Enforcement (Karachi)		
Specialized commercial courts, divisions or benches	KHC/KDC/Law Dept.	BOI to request Federal Judicial Academy for replication of reforms introduced by LHC in Karachi .
Resolving Insolvency		
Creating awareness Corporate Rehabilitation Act and Corporate Restructuring Act among corporate entities and legal practitioners	SECP	Being done.

3. The meeting ended with the note of thanks.

Meeting on Ease of Doing Business- 6th Reform Plan (October 12, 2020)

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