GLOBAL PARTNERSHIP for EDUCATION

Board of Directors
Decision via Affirmative Vote
May 19, 2020

Final Decision

BOD/2020/05-04–Allocation for an Education Sector Program Implementation Grant to Punjab: The Board of Directors with respect to the application submitted in the first round of 2020:

1. Notes compliance with the requirements for accessing the fixed part of the maximum country allocation (MCA) as described in the application and summarized and assessed in Annex B to BOD/2020/04 DOC 03.
2. Notes compliance with meeting the requirements for accessing the variable part of the MCA and approves the indicators on Equity, Efficiency, and Learning and their means of verification as described in the application and assessed in Annex B to BOD/2020/04 DOC 03.
3. Approves an allocation from GPE trust funds for an ESPIG, as described in the application submitted and summarized in Table 1 in BOD/2020/05-04 3 (c), subject to:
   a. Availability of funds.
   b. Board decision BOD/2012/11-04 on commitment of trust funds for ESPIGs in annual installments.
   c. GPC recommendations for funding, including (all amounts in US$):

Table 1: Punjab		
a.	ESPIG Maximum Country Allocation	50,625,000[1]
b.	Fixed Part	35,437,500
c.	Variable Part	15,187,500
d.	Allocation Requested (100%)	50,625,000[2]
e.	**Allocation Recommended by GPC**	**50,625,000**
f.	Grant Agent	UK Department for International Development (DFID)
g.	Agency Fee % - Amount	N/A
h.	Period	5 Years
i.	Expected Start Date	July 1, 2020
j.	Variable Part Disbursement Modality	Ex-Post
k.	Funding Source	GPE Fund

4. Requests the Secretariat to:

[1] Pakistan's total MCA is US$125 million. Pakistan has decided to divide the MCA between four provinces: Punjab received US$50,625. The remainder is divided between the provinces of Sindh, Khyber Pakhtoonkhwa, and Balochistan.
[2] Includes US$774,000 for the cost of the grant agent to perform its roles and responsibilities.

a. Include in its notification of grant approval to Punjab the observations and requests for report-back as recommended by the Grants and Performance Committee and set out in Annex A to BOD/2020/04 DOC 03.
b. Include an update on the issues listed as "report back" in the annual Grant Performance Report in accordance with the specified timeline.